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Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

A few days ago the House of Representatives passed a resolution, calling for any information in possession of the Executive Department, with reference to a so-called decree by MAXIMILIAN, the French agent in Mexico, under date of September last, establishing slavery or peonage in that republic. It appears, from the reply to this resolution, that on the 18th of September, W. H. CORWIN, Chargé d'Affaires, sent a copy of this decree to Secretary SEWARD, who requested the opinion of Attorney-General SPEED upon that paper. The latter gave an elaborate response, saying, among other things, that notwithstanding the broad declaration in the first regulation that all men of color are free by the fact alone of having trod on Mexican territory, it is manifest that in the subsequent relations, a grinding and odious form of slavery is sought to be established; and he concluded as follows: I have no hesitation in saying that these regulations constitute a law which deprives workingmen of rights which we in this country regard, and which in every well organized community should be regarded as inestimable inalienable and indestructible, and certainly makes them slaves. The history of this country, and particularly the history of the troubles from which we are just emerging, shows that no society can be organized permanently and remain at peace, within its own borders and with the outside world, where these great and important rights are denied to any considerable class of men.

Secretary SEWARD wrote to Minister BIGELOW, on the 10th of November, saying the decrees had received the attention of this government, and that the law officer had submitted an opinion that if they were carried into execution they would inevitably operate to reduce to a condition of peon slavery working men of the African race, and, of course, such of the freedmen before mentioned as with or without their intelligent consent, may be brought within the jurisdiction of Mexico. The Secretary requested Mr. BIGELOW to place a copy of Attorney-General's SPEED's opinion in the hands of M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, and to ask that the attention of the French Government may be directed to the question which the Attorney General has discussed with ability, and with an anxious desire to arrive at just conclusions.

Mr. BIGELOW has already furnished a copy of the opinion to the French Government, but no response has yet been received by this government. It further appears from the correspondence, that Mr. ROMERO, the Mexico Minister, furnished a copy of the decrees, with appropriate comments, to Secretary SEWARD, who, under date of Dec. 10, informs that gentleman that measures have been adopted which are deemed proper to meet the exigencies which they present. The Committee on Foreign Affairs now have this subject before them.

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE.

The House maintains its vigor of action. It is driving business through as though it was the close, instead of the beginning of the session. Two highly important measures were put through yesterday, under whip and spur, viz.: The bill to facilitate travel and commerce between the States, and a constitutional amendment prohibiting any State from paying any debt incurred in aid of the late rebellion. The first-named bill is the same which the House passed last Winter, and is directly aimed at the Camden and Amboy Railroad monopoly of New-Jersey. It provides in general terms that any railroad may carry passengers and freight from one State to another without being subjected to any prohibition on the part of any State Government.

Mr. WASHBURNE gave as a reason for passing the Railroad Bill thus early in the session, that the Senate talked it to death last session, and he wanted them to have plenty of time now.

The joint resolution amending the constitution was reported by Mr. WILSON, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and briefly provides that no debt incurred in aid of the rebellion shall ever be paid. This very important matter, though recognized as right in principle by nearly every member, was pushed through by Mr. WILSON, under the demand for the previous question, with undue haste. Several gentlemen desired to make it the special order for some future day, but Mr. WILSON would not consent to that unless made the special order for to-morrow, which not being agreed to, he demanded its passage at once, which was agreed to; ayes 149, noes, 11. Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, and Mr. ROGERS, of New-Jersey, Democrats, were among the noes. Mr. VOORHEES, of Indiana, Democrat, voted aye.

THE RECESS.

The holiday adjournment was finally fixed to-day by the Conference Committee of the two Houses, and Congress will therefore adjourn from to-morrow until Friday, Jan. 5. This gives a recess of just fifteen days.

THE OFFICIAL REPORTERS.

The matter of the *Globe* official reporters came up in the House again to-day, on a resolution reported by Gen. BANKS, from the Committee on Rules, that the reporters be recognized as officers of the House, and employed and dismissed only with the consent of the Speaker. Mr. HALE, of New-York, moved to refer the report to the Committee on the Judiciary, to inquire what relations the *Globe* bears to the House, which, after a vigorous debate between Gen. BANKS and Mr. HALE, was carried.

THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

The Joint Committee of Fifteen have already a cord or two of papers before them on the various aspects of the reconstruction question. Among the last documents thus referred were the credentials of Judge WARMOUTH, who appears as delegate from the Territory of Louisiana, and whose papers were presented to-day by THADDEUS STEVENS.

THE BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.

In addition to the Constitutional Amendment reported by the Judiciary Committee and adopted in the House yesterday, the same committee have agreed to report the amendment changing the basis of representation from population to the number of legal voters. This amendment was submitted in the House by Messrs. SCHENCK, of Ohio, and BROOMALL, of Pennsylvania, and in the Senate by Mr. SUMNER.

THE APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ASSESSORS.

A measure was adopted in the House to-day which will somewhat lighten the official labors of the President. It is to confer the appointments of Assistant Assessors of Internal Revenue, who number a couple of thousand, upon the Secretary of the Treasury, instead of the President.

MR. SUMNER'S DEMONSTRATION.

The Senate was the scene of unusual interest to-day. Senator SUMNER came prepared for a field-day, and opened with much dramatic effect, by presenting, one after another, about twenty memorials, most eloquently written, and as eloquently read by the Senator, praying that no State be admitted to full rights without positive and irreversible guarantees for the future. Senator WILSON's bill on the equal status of all persons before the law then came up, and Senator SUMNER took the floor. He proceeded at length to present a mass of testimony relative to the condition of affairs at the South, gathered from various sources, mostly anonymous and irresponsible, setting forth the reverse of the case as represented by the reports of the President and Gen. GRANT. Mr. SUMNER is always listened to with the closest attention, and never more so than to-day; but his facts, though ever so strongly arrayed, weighed not a feather in the scale against the plain statements put forth yesterday over the signatures of President JOHNSON and Gen. GRANT. At the conclusion of Mr. SUMNER's remarks, Mr. COWAN, of Pennsylvania, replied briefly, contrasting the character of Mr. SUMNER's information with the official documents before the Senate. Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, (Dem.,) also spoke, proclaiming the "split in the Republican party," as he termed it, and advising the President to stand firm, and he would receive the support of two million Democrats from States never in rebellion.

THE GENERAL RAILROAD BILL.

The Senate Committee on Commerce have considered the General Railroad Bill which passed the House on Tuesday, and will favorably report it immediately after the holiday adjournment.

LANDS FOR FREEDMEN.

The Secretary of the Interior, in reply to an inquiry from Gen. HOWARD, decides that the Freedmen's Bureau cannot hold, and the government cannot set aside unoccupied government lands in Florida or any other State for the use or benefit of freedmen. He further says, however, that all homestead and preemption laws are as applicable to freedmen as to any other class of persons.

SUFFRAGE IN THE DISTRICT.

The citizens of Washington who are opposed to negro suffrage will vote against it to-morrow at the polls. Gov. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, and Gen. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, will speak in favor of the subject to-morrow night.

THE BASE OF REPRESENTATION.

The Judiciary Committee of the House have agreed to report the amendment respectively submitted by Mr. SCHENCK, of Ohio, and Mr. BROOMALL, of Pennsylvania, changing the base of representation from population to voters.

GEN. HOWARD'S REPORT.

Gen. HOWARD's report, which was transmitted to Congress yesterday, (printed in the TIMES of this morning,) estimatest tha eleven millions of dollars will be necessary for the support of the Freedmen's Bureau for the year 1866. He asks the appropriation of this amount, three millions of which are for the purchase and building of sites and edifices for schools and asylums in the South for both black and white. Neither the President nor Secretary of War make any recommendations in the matter.

REAL ESTATE RECOVERED.

One of the large estates on Bull's Island, South Carolina, known as the Seabrook estate, which was sold in 1864 by the United States Tax Commissioner for non-payment of the direct tax, has been recovered by the owner, he paying the taxes due, all the costs, and compromising with the purchaser.

MR. STANTON.

The Secretary of War is expected to return to the city to-morrow.

COMPLIMENT FROM THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU.

A note from S. N. CLARK, Lieutenant, and A. A. D. C., of the Bureau of Refugees and Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, says: "As there seems to be some misapprehension with regard to the mission of Mrs. JOSEPHINE S. GRIFFING, the Commissioner directs me to say that she was discharged as an agent of this bureau Nov 7, 1865. The bureau has not received any funds from Mrs. GRIFFING, and does not assume the responsibility of the collections she is making. The number of actual dependants upon the government for support through this bureau in Washington is between three and four hundred. Many are poor, but have managed thus far to take care of themselves, receiving now and then temporary relief.

UNSWORN OFFICE-HOLDERS IN THE SOUTH.

A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, in response to the Senate's resolution of the 13th inst., states that the records of the department do not show that any persons have been appointed to any office not authorized by existing law, but admits that persons have been appointed to office who have not subscribed to the oath referred to under the customs and revenue laws in the lately insurgent States, but that no salaries have been paid, with one exception. The Secretary says he sought for persons for such offices who could take the oath literally; but, failing to find them, to select those who gave no aid to the rebellion until the government of the United States had failed to give them the protection to which they were entitled. He believes that very few persons not belonging to one of these two classes are holding positions under his department, and that in most of the Southern States nearly every man fit for a revenue officer was at some time either engaged in hostilities against the government of the United States, or holding State or Confederate office, either willingly or unwillingly. He acted upon the presumption that Congress would modify the oath, and not subject the South to the humiliation or the revenue system to the odium which would result from the employment of Northern men as tax-gatherers. He suggests the absolute necessity of action upon the subject, as valuable services have been rendered and no payments have yet been made for such service, and the safety and efficiency of the revenue system in the South depends upon such modification.

The Commissioner of Customs reports that most of the officers of customs appointed since the adjournment of Congress have taken the oath, while some have not taken it entire, more or less being stricken out or omitted, according to the feelings or circumstances of the appointees. Others have taken the proclamation oath, swearing hereafter to defend the constitution, support all laws and proclamations which have been made during the rebellion with reference to the abolishment of slavery.

FUNERAL OF MR. CORWIN.

The funeral of the late Hon. THOMAS CORWIN, of Ohio, took place from the residence of J. S. WETMORE, Esq., Ohio State Agent, this afternoon, and was largely attended, among the number many persons of prominence, Senators and Representatives, &c. The corpse was attired in a plain suit of black cloth, and was encased in a coffin covered with black cloth and silver mounted. On the top was laid a bouquet of fragrant flowers. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. LEWIS, of St. John's Church, and Rev. B. F. MORRIS, of Ohio, at the conclusion of which the procession moved in the following order:

Committee of Arrangements—Messrs. J. C. Wetmore, Durbin Ward, C. P. James, H. M. Slade and John Cook. Committee to attend the remains to the burial place at Lebanon, Ohio—Hon. R. B. Hays, Benj. Eggleston, Samuel Shellabarger and R. W. Clark. The attending physicians and officiating clergy. Washington and Columbia Commanderies of Knights Templars as an escort. Pall-bearers as follows: Chief-Justice Chase, Justice Swayne, of Superior Court; Hon. W. H. Seward, Secretary of State; Hon. Reverdy Johnson, of Maryland; Hon. Garret Davis, Kentucky; Hon. Benjamin Wade, Ohio; Hon. John Sherman, Ohio; Hon. Richard Wallach, Mayor of Washington; Lieut.-Gen. Grant, Gen. P. W. Brice, Hon. W. W. Seaton, Hon. R. C. Schenck, Ohio; Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania; Henry Stansbury, Esq., of Cincinnati; Frank Taylor, of Washington; Hon. R. P. Spalding, of Ohio. The corpse on a hearse, followed by a detachment of police as guards. Mr. SAGE, son-in-law, and Miss LOUISA CORWIN, daughter of the deceased, with other relatives. Ex-Governors and Ex-Lieutenant-Governors of and members of Congress from Ohio, as mourners. Members of the Cabinet, Judges of the Supreme Court of the United States, United States Senators, Judges of the Supreme Court for the District of Columbia, Judges of the Court of Claims, members of the House of Representatives, citizens of Ohio, and citizens generally.

The procession moved along F-street to Fifth, thence by Louisana and Indiana avenues to the depot. Gov. CORWIN having once been Secretary of the Treasury, it was deemed proper by the officials in the Treasury Department that a meeting should be convened in that department, and it was accordingly called together this morning. Secretary MCCULLOCH presided. Resolutions expressive of deep sorrow at the tidings of the death of Gov. CORWIN were prepared by Hon. E. JORDAN, Solicitor of the Treasury, and adopted. After the meeting adjourned the Assistant Secretary issued the following:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1865.

By direction of the Secretary the Department will be closed at 2:30 o'clock this P. M., as a tribute to the memory of Hon. THOS. CORWIN, former Secretary of Treasury, and in order to allow officers and clerks of the Department an opportunity to attend the funeral services, which take place at the residence of J. C. WETMORE, No. 250 F-street, at 3 o'clock this evening.

(Signed) WM. E. CHANDLER,
Asst. Secy. Treasury.

All the departments were closed to-day at 2:30 P. M., to enable government officials to attend the funeral.

GEN. EATON RESIGNED.

Brevet Brig.-Gen. JOHN EATON, Assistant Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, has resigned. Gen. EATON was the first Commissioner of Freedmen appointed. When the "contrabands" began to come into our lines in such numbers and so fast that they became a serious charge upon the army, Gen. GRANT gave the entire management of the negroes to General then Col. EATON, and the latter was Superintendent of Freedmen in the Mississippi Valley until Gen. HOWARD received the appointment of Commissioner. Gen. EATON now goes to Memphis to take charge of a new Union paper to be started there shortly. Brig.-Gen. FULLERTON, Gen. HOWARD's Chief of Staff, will resign in a day or two.

MILITARY REDUCTIONS.

On the 11th of December, Major-Gen. THOMAS, commanding the Military Division of the Tennessee, was ordered to reduce the aggregate force of white troops in the Ddepartments of Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, to 7,000 men, regulars included.

CONFIRMED.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of WOODBURY DAVIS to be Postmaster at Portland, Me., and FRANCIS A. FULLER to be Collector of Customs at Newbern, N. C.

PARDONED.

WILLIAM L. BLACK, one of the Panama steamship pirates, who was sentenced to be hung, and whose sentence was commuted by Gen. McDOWELL to imprisonment for ten years, has been pardoned by the President.

MUSTERED OUT.

The following circular was to-day promulgated:

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, Dec. 19, 1865.

CIRCULAR No. 54.—Volunteers, white and colored, infantry, cavalry and artillery, in various military departments, services no longer required; ordered to be mustered out of service under special instructions of dates set opposite the organizations respectively: I. White troops, Connecticut Eighth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865; Eleventh Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Illinois: Thirty-ninth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Indiana: One Hundred and Thirtieth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. New-Hampshire: Second Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865; New-York: Forty-first Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865; Fifty-fourth Infantry, Nov. 27, 1865; One Hundred and Third Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Ohio: Sixty-seventh Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Pennsylvania: Forty-seventh Infantry, Nov. 27, 1865; One Hundred and Eighty-eighth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Vermont: Ninth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865. Virginia: First Infantry, (loyal,) East Virginia, Company A, Nov. 24, 1865. II. Colored troops: U.S. Second Light Artillery, Batteries F and I, Dec. 11, 1865; Second Light Artillery Batteries C and D, Dec. 13, 1865; Fourteenth Heavy Artillery, Nov. 24, 1865; Third Cavalry, Dec. 11, 1865; Eleventh Infantry, Dec. 11, 1865; Twelfth Infantry, Dec. 11, 1865; Thirteenth Infantry, Dec. 11, 1865; Twenty-first Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Thirtieth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865; Thirty-third Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Thirty-ninth Infantry, Nov. 24, 1865; Forty-seventh Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Forty-eighth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Fifty-fifth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Sixty-first Inf'y, Dec. 13, 1865, Sixty-third Infantry, Dec. 16, 1865; Seventy-sixth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Seventy-eighth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; Ninety-second Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; One Hundredth Infantry, Dec. 2, 1865; One Hundred and Fourth Infantry, Dec. 2, 1865; One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865; One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Infantry, Dec. 13, 1865.

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(Signed) E. D. TOWNSEND, Adjt.-Gen.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE—Wednesday, Dec. 20.

PETITION FROM FRIENDS.

Mr. WADE, of Ohio, (Union,) presented the petition of the Society of Friends recently assembled in Baltimore, asking that Congress may legislate so as to remedy some of the evils which the freedmen of the South now labor under.

BILL FOR THE RELIEF OF MRS. LINCOLN.

Mr. LANE, of Kansas, (Union,) called up the House bill for the payment to Mrs. LINCOLN of $25,000; which was passed.

GRANTS OF LAND TO SOLDIERS.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, (Union,) presented a petition, which was signed by a number of citizens, asking for land grants to the soldiers of the late war, which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNORS.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Union,) presented the petition of citizens of Massachusetts for the appointment of Provisional Governors over the States lately in rebellion, the guarantee of the rights of all the loyal citizens in those States, enfranchisement and equality before the law, &c. He also presented similar petitions from citizens of New-York, Missouri, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, New-Jersey and Kentucky.

The petitions were referred to the Special Committee of Fifteen on Reconstruction.

EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW.

Mr. SUMNER presented the petition of Dr. CHEEVER, of New-York, Mr. PARKER, of Pittsburgh, and others, for equality before the law in the Southern States.

This petition was also referred to the Special Committee of Fifteen on Reconstruction.

ENLARGING WEST VIRGINIA.

Mr. WADE, from the Committee on Territories, reported favorably a bill to give the consent of Congress to the annexation of the Counties of Berkeley and Jefferson, Va., to the State of West Virginia.

FRANCHISE IN THE DISTRICT.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, (Union,) from the Committee for the District of Columbia, reported favorably on the bill to regulate the elective franchise in the District of Columbia, with amendments, one of which modifies the privilege by restricting it to those who shall be able to read the Constitution of the United States in the English language and write their names. A new section is inserted prescribing a penalty of $5,000 and imprisonment not exceeding one year for willfully rejecting or refusing to receive the vote of any person entitled to such right.

Mr. SUMNER inquired of Mr. MORRILL when the Senate would act on the above bill.

Mr. MORRILL—At the earliest possible time, probably not before adjournment, however.

Mr. SUMNER—I am very glad that my excellent friend proposes to proceed to the consideration of that measure at an early day. I believe that the country requires promptitude in that act of justice.

Mr. DAVIS—I call the Senate to order.

The Chair called upon Mr. DAVIS to state his point of order.

Mr. DAVIS—I ask what question is pending before the Senate?

The Chair stated that there was no distinct question before the Senate, but that Mr. SUMNER was not transcending the usage of the body in his remarks.

Mr. DAVIS—But, Mr. President, the Senator, in his usual manner, was proceeding to make a speech.

Mr. SUMNER—I had only uttered one sentence, while the Senator from Kentucky constantly utters many.

EULOGIES TO BE PRINTED.

Mr. ANTHONY, of Rhode Island, (Union,) from the Committee on Printing, reported a resolution for the printing of 3,000 copies of the eulogies on the late Senator COLLAMER, which was passed.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

Mr. CRESSWELL, of Maryland, (Union,) called up the House resolution for adjournment and recess, and moved that the Senate recede from its amendment, which was to strike out "Wednesday," and insert Thursday, and to strike out "Jan. 9," and insert Jan. 3.

Mr. FESSEDEN, of Maine, (Union,) called for the yeas and nays on the question of receding.

The Senate refused to recede by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Cowan, Cragin, Cresswell, Grimes, Harris, Hendricks, Johnson, Lane of Kansas, McDougal, Norton, Nye, Delano, Ramsey, Riddle, Stewart, Sumner, Van Winkle, Wilson—19.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Buckalew, Chandler Clarke, [illegible]rie, Henderson, Howard, Howe, Lane of Indiana, Morgan, Morrill, Nesmith, Pomeroy, Saulsbury, Sherman, Sprague, Trumbull, Wade, Willey, Williams—26.

The Senate insisted on the amendment and agreed to a Committee of Conference.

THE EQUALITY BILL.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Union,) called up the Senate bill to maintain the freedom of the inhabitants in the States declared in insurrection and rebellion by the proclamation of the President of July 1, 1862. It abolished all laws, statutes, acts, ordinances, rules and regulations, which make inequalities in rights and immunities on account of distinction or differences of rules, race or descent.

Mr. SUMNER—When I think of what occurred in this chamber yesterday, when I call to mind the attempt to whitewash the unhappy condition of the rebel States, and at this time to throw the mantle of official oblivion over the sickening and heartrending outrages by which human rights are sacrificed, and barbarism—rebel barbarism—receives a new letter of license. I feel that I ought to speak of nothing else to-day. Sir, I stood here long ago, in the days of Kansas, when a small community was surrendered to the machinations of the slavemasters, and now I stand here, alas! while an immense region, with millions of population, is surrendered to the machinations of slavemasters. It belongs to Congress to arrest this fatal fury. Congress must learn to be brave and to be just. But I am not willing to be diverted from the precise question before the Senate—although in considering it I shall naturally and logically be led to pass in review the condition of the rebel States.

The Chair suggested that the question before the Senate was the motion to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee, and on this motion a discussion of the merits of the bill was not in order.

Mr. SUMNER said that in a general question of reference it had been the practice of the Senate to admit discussion of general merits. It was only when the question was between several committees for reference that discussion was not in order.

Mr. TRUMBULL suggested that Mr. SUMNER be permitted to proceed, and no objection being made

Mr. SUMNER continued his remarks on the bill before the Senate. All must agree, he said, that it was an excellent measure. It undertakes nothing more than the assurance of equality before the law, which it is assumed is essential to carry forward and maintain the Proclamation of Emancipation to which the national government is pledged. The words of the proclamation no one can forget. They read that the slave shall from this time henceforth be free, and the Executive, with the military and naval authorities, shall maintain them in their freedom. There is your pledge which has gone before the world. It goes wherever the limits of your republic extends, and it is as sacred as your national life. Wherever that flag floats, as long as this republic endures, that pledge is sacredly to be observed. How shall we see that that pledge is preserved? Is it to be committed to individuals? Is it to be committed to States? No, Sir. The preservation of that pledge must be by the national government which made it, which gave freedom, and which solemnly promised to maintain that freedom. That, Sir, is the conclusion of reason. It is also the conclusion of history. Mr. SUMNER proceeded to quote from the history of emancipation in Russia to prove that it was the duty of this country to maintain the freedom of the emancipated slaves. The bill did not go far enough. It ought to include political equality also; but that would come up in another proposition. Mr. SUMNER then read a number of extracts from the Southern correspondence of the Boston *Advertiser* and other papers, and from private letters received by him from reliable parties in the South, to show the disloyal sentiment of the Southern people, and the cruelty with which freedmen are being treated in the lately rebellious States. In conclusion, he called upon the Senate to pass this bill or any other bill calculated to secure justice for the freedman.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, (Dem.,) wished to make one remark. There seemed to be an apprehension in some quarters that the Democratic party was again to come to power, and come to power through the present Executive. There was already an opposition party sprung from the ranks of the Republicans. He would say to the President that he ought to stand firm by his policy, and if he continued in that policy two millions of faithful men in the North would support him, although they did not vote for him, and would welcome the contest whenever it came.

Mr. COWAN, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) was unwilling to let Mr. SUMNER's speech go to the country without a protest. The statements read by him from private letters were not impartial nor unprejudiced. The cases referred to were exceptional. Where one man out of a thousand was cruel to negroes it was published; but there was nothing said about the nine hundred and ninety-nine others who treated the negroes properly. Mr. COWAN alluded to Mr. SUMNER's charge of "whitewashing," used against the President, and defended the President from it. He read extracts from the message of yesterday, and expressed his belief in its fairness and truth.

Further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

RESPECT FOR A LATE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE.

A message was received from the House announcing the death of Mr. KELLOGG, a member of the House from New-York, and the passage of a resolution of respect for his memory.

Mr. HARRIS, of New-York, pronounced an eulogy upon the deceased member, whom he spoke of in the highest terms as a private citizen and a public officer.

THE RECESS AGREED UPON.

Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, (Union,) from the Committee of Conference on the subject of adjournment, made a report in favor of adjourning from Thursday, the 21st inst., to Friday, the 5th proximo.

The report was agreed to.

The Senate at 3:30 P. M. adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CONGRATULATORY.

Mr. BROOMALL, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) offered a resolution congratulating the country that the anti-slavery amendment to the Constitution of the United States has been ratified by three-fourths of the States, and is now a law of the land.

This was referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

CIVIL RIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES.

He also asked leave to introduce a resolution, which was objected to by Mr. JOHNSON, (Dem.,) his colleague, asserting that the termination of the recent civil war has left the lately usurped territory in the hands of the conquering power and nullified political rights; that the political condition of the people in the late rebellious States must be fixed by the supreme legislative power; that the effect of the amnesty is to relieve individuals of the punishment of crime, but not to confer political rights; that Congress should confer the necessary power to enable them to form their own State governments, but this cannot be done until the rights of those among them always true to their allegiance, shall be protected, &c.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT ASSESSORS.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, (Union,) from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint Assistant Assessors of Internal Revenue. He stated that, as the law first passed, it gave this power to the Secretary, but was subsequently changed to relieve the Secretary of so great a burden as the appointment of so many officers.

The bill was passed.

CONTESTED SEATS.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, (Union,) from the Committee on Elections, reported a resolution, affording Mr. KELSO, of Missouri, and Mr. BOYD, the contestant of his seat, further time to take testimony, and it was passed.

THE CASE OF CONGRESSMAN HARRIS.

On motion of Mr. DAWES, it was resolved that the Secretary of War be directed to communicate to the House the record, testimony, sentence and action of the court-martial which tried BENJAMIN G. HARRIS, a member of this House from the State of Maryland.

REPORTERS TO BE OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. BANKS, of Massachusetts, (Union,) from the Committee on Rules, reported an amendment thereto, namely, that the reporters of the official proceedings of the House, as published in the *Globe* by its order, shall be recognized and are hereby declared officers of the House from the 4th of March last, for the purpose of reporting its proceedings; and their appointment and removal shall be held subject to the approval of the Speaker of the House.

Mr. BANKS said the amendment was reported with the unanimous approval of the Committee. It was intended only to assert the privileges of the House, and not to affect in any degree the relations between the House and the publishers of the *Globe*.

Mr. HALL, of New-York, (Union,) respectfully submitted that this was a question involving serious points for consideration as to personal and private rights under contract between employers and employed, and therefore should not be passed upon hastily.

Mr. BANKS reported the amendment merely, and referred to the privileges of the House in the matter of admitting persons to report the proceedings of the House. The other question can be considered apart from that now under debate.

Mr. HALL understood the proprietors of the *Globe* are contractors, and therefore have the right to employ reporters and discharge them.

Mr. BANKS replied that the amendment did not involve the question of contract. All the appropriations of the House for procuring the reporting are coupled with certain conditions.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, (Union,) said the reporters were diligent and faithful, but the House required the publishers of the *Globe* to furnish a certain amount of work in a certain time, and as the House held them responsible, they would employ whom they please.

Mr. BANKS replied that neither the publishers of the *Globe* or the reporters were consulted, because the Committee on Rules did not consider that private interests were affected by the proposed amendment.

Mr. BALDWIN, of Massachusetts, (Union,) was not prepared to vote for it, for there may be a contract with the *Globe* to procure a report of the proceedings.

The House refused to second the demand for the previous question, 53 against 71.

On motion of Mr. HALL, the subject was then sent to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to inquire and report what, if any, relations exist between the House and the proprietors of the *Globe*, in the way of a contract for reporting and publishing the proceedings of the House.

A MEMBER FROM ARKANSAS.

Mr. RAYMOND, of New-York, (Union,) presented the certificate of the election to the House of Mr. KYLE, signed by the Governor of Arkansas, and attested by the Secretary of State, with the great seal attached.

On motion it was referred to the Committee on Reconstruction.

POST ROUTES ADOPTED.

Mr. ALLEY, of Massachusetts, (Union,) from the Committee on Post-offices and Post Roads, reported a bill to establish certain post routes, and it was passed.

A HOMESTEAD COMPANY.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, (Union,) from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill, which was ordered to be printed and recommitted, to incorporate the United States Mutual Protection Homestead Company.

MAKING THE ENEMY PAY THE BILL.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) introduced a bill to double the pensions of those who were made pensioners by the casualties of the late war, to pay the damage done to loyal men by the rebel government and the rebel raiders, and enforce the confiscation laws, so as to pay the same out of the confiscated property of the enemy. He moved that the consideration of the bill be postponed till the first Tuesday of February.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, (Dem.,) objected to its postponement to a particular day.

Mr. STEVENS said he had not asked to make the bill a special order. He did not know what the gentleman desired.

Mr. BROOKS replied he did not object to the printing and reference, but he did not want the House to give this bill a preference over others by postponing it to a particular day.

Mr. STEVENS asked what committee the gentleman thought it ought to be referred to.

Mr. BROOKS replied the Committee on Reconstruction.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, it was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union. He afterward moved to reconsider the vote by which it was referred, and the motion is now pending.

LIABILITIES OF SHIP OWNERS.

Mr. ELIOT, of Massachusetts, (Union,) introduced a bill to limit the liability of ship owners concerning maritime laws, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

UNITED STATES COURT FOR NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA.

Mr. STEVENS introduced a bill to establish a court in the Northern District of Pennsylvania, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

DELEGATES FROM THE TERRITORY OF LOUISIANA.

Mr. STEVENS presented the petition of Judge WARMOUTH, asking to be admitted to the House as a delegate from the Territory of Louisiana, and purporting to be signed by 19,000 voters. It was referred, without debate, to the Committee on Reconstruction.

TRIAL OF DAVIS.

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, (Union,) submitted a series of resolutions, which, on his own motion, were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for future action, namely: That public justice and national security demand that, as soon as it may be practicable, JEFF. DAVIS, a representative man of the rebellion, should have a fair and impartial trial trial in the highest appropriate civil tribunal of the country for treason most flagrant in character, by him committed, in order that the constitution and the laws may be fully vindicated, the truth clearly established and affirmed that treason is a crime, and that the offence may be made infamous, and at the same time that the question may be judicially settled finally and forever, that no State of its own will has the right to renounce its place in the Union. It is further

Resolved, That public justice and national security demand that in case of the convict on of said JEFFERSON DAVIS the sentence of the law should be carried into effect, in order that the constitution and the laws may be fully vindicated and faithfully executed, and the truth clearly established that treason is a crime and that traitors should be punished.

Resolved, That in like manner and for like reasons such of the most culpable of the chief instigators and conspirators of the rebellion as may be necessary to satisfy the demands of public justice and furnish security for the future, and those criminally responsible for the murder and starvation of Union prisoners of war, should be tried and punished for the high crimes of which they have been guilty.

Resolved, That justice should not fail of its purpose, and that all who are guilty of or are responsible for the assassination of the late President, and the great offenders during the recent rebellion, guilty of and responsible for the murder and starvation of Union prisoners of war, as well as those guilty of or responsible for other unparalleled violations of the laws of warfare, are amenable to and should be tried, convicted and punished by a military tribunal authorized by law and sanctioned by the common law of war and the usages of civilized nations whenever and so far as may be necessary to secure the ends of justice.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what legislation, if any, may be necessary to provide juries for trials for treason, for writs of error and to carry into effect the purposes of the foregoing resolutions, and that said committee report by bill or otherwise.

The House concurred in the Senate resolution that the Committees on Manufactures of both houses inquire if the tax from the internal revenue act upon the products of the domestic manufacture is greater than the duty, premium on gold, expenses of exchange and transportation upon similar products imported, and if, thereby, the foreign product is entered for consumption upon more favorable terms than the domestic product, to report a remedy by bill or otherwise.

THE RECESS.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, (Union,) made a report from the Committee of Conference, that when the two Houses adjourn on Thursday, the 21st instant, they adjourn to meet on Friday, the 5th of January. He said these were the best terms the House could obtain from the Senate; and on his motion the report was concurred in.

INDIAN FUNDS.

The House debated and passed the Senate joint resolution, authorizing the President of the United States to divert certain funds heretofore appropriated for the immediate subsistence of destitute Indians and Indian tribes.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF LANDS.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, it was resolved that the Superintendent of the Freedmen's Bureau, Major-Gen. HOWARD, be directed to inform the House whether any real estate seized under the act of July 17, 1862, as enemy's property, and the title of which by that act was vested in the United States, had been assigned or allotted to freedmen for a residence and homestead by order of any department of the government; and, if so, whether the same has been restored to the rebel owners, and the people of color ordered off, and by whose authority; and also whether the abandoned plantations had been thus occupied and thus restored, and if known to the said Superintendent of the bureau, to state under what pretence of authority property once vested in the United States under the confiscation of enemies not as traitor's property, was thus taken from the United States, and bestowed on conquered enemies.

THE PARIS EXHIBITION.

The Speaker laid before the House a message from the President, inclosing a report of the Secretary of State, in relation to the universal exhibition to be held in Paris in 1867, and in which the United States are invited by the Government of France to take a part. The subject is commended to the early and favorable consideration of Congress.

DEATH OF A MEMBER ANNOUNCED.

Mr. HALL, of New-York, announced the death of his immediate predecessor, ORLANDO KELLOGG, and paid a fitting tribute to the private and public character of the deceased.

Messrs. GRISWOLD, RANDALL and MOORHEAD also delivered brief eulogies, when the usual resolutions of respect were passed, and the House adjourned.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Tuesday, Dec. 19.

The steamer *S. R. Spaulding* has arrived from Boston, making her last trip to Norfolk. Henceforth she will ply between Boston and Baltimore.

The steamer *Lady Lang* has arrived from Richmond, with Gen. TERRY and staff, on business. A salute was fired on his arrival.

The steamer *Gen. Sedgwick*, from Mobile with cotton for New-York, put in short of coal, and went to Norfolk to obtain it.

A large sale of Quartermaster's property takes place at Norfolk to-day, under direction of Col. BLUNT.

The fleet of about 200 sailing vessels, for some time wind bound in Hampton Roads, sailed this morning. Wind west.

Death of Judge Ames, of Rhode Island.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Wednesday, Dec. 20.

Hon. SAMUEL AMES, for ten years Chief-Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, died suddenly this afternoon of apoplexy. He was in the street at 2 o'clock and died at 4. Judge AMES resigned his office last month because of ill-health.

Fire.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Wednesday, Dec. 20.

The Wakefield Mills in South Kingstown, R. I., were burnt this morning. Loss $75,000; insurance light. The mills were owned by GIDEON REYNOLDS, who there manufactured cotton jeans.

Accident on the Hudson River Railroad.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

When the 3:30 train from New-York, on the Hudson River Railroad, reached a spot near Yonkers this afternoon, a rail broke in three pieces, throwing the rear car from the track. "Nobody hurt."

Fire at Davenport, Iowa.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

A fire last night destroyed the building in which the Post-office was lately located. Loss $40,000 to $50,000; one-half insured.

Fenianism in New-Jersey.

NEWARK, N. J., Wednesday, Dec. 20.

The Fenian State Convention held to-day de- [illegible]

SOUTH AMERICA.

Another Revolutionary Overthrow in Peru.

Gen. Canseco Deposed and Col. Prado Made Dictator.

The New Government Sympathizes with Chili.

Very Little Change in the Hispano-Chilian War.

LATER NEWS FROM NEW-GRANADA.

The steamer *Henry Chauncey*, from Aspinwall Dec. 13, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon. She brings the following

TREASURE LIST:

Panama Railroad Co.	$28,783	C. H. Grant & Co.	$39,096
Atlantic M. S. Co.	16,846	Duncan, Sherman & Co	100,997
W. J. Seligman & Co.	38,500	Wells, Fargo & Co.	8,000
H. Cohn	17,700	Lees & Waller	575,084
Eugene Kelly & Co.	13,191	Order	36,641
Total			$874,840

FROM ASPINWALL.

Wells, Fargo & Co.	$5,200	L. L. Isaacs & Ash	$1,000
Trevour & Colgate	3,812	Flint & Hall	1,000
Total			$11,012

SOUTH AMERICA.

Gen. Canseco Deposed as President of Peru—Col. Prado Declared Dictator.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1865.

We have news from Peru to Nov. 27. Gen. CANSECO, the principal in the late revolution, who became Provisional President on the expulsion of President PEZET, has been quietly deposed, and Col. PRADO, another leader in the revolution, made Dictator. CANSECO had appointed his cabinet, and people generally had settled down into the belief that he was to have a lease of power until a regular election should take place, although a few of the friends of the new *régime* were known to be dissatisfied, and were evidently casting about to see how a change could be effected. On the 26th, fourteen days after, CANSECO, with his force, had entered Lima; placards were seen on the walls calling a public meeting for consultation upon the state of the country, and to exchange ideas upon the Spanish question. Quite a crowd was gathered on the afternoon of that day on the Cathedral Plaza, and after considerable discussion, General, formerly Col. PRADO, was declared Dictator amid enthusiastic *vivas*. The General at once came forward and made quite a bunkum speech, in which he remarked that he would like to take his heart out and toss it open among the people, that they might see engraved upon its inner temple the Peruvian flag, with its glorious folds waving triumphantly over a happy and free people, a people who despised and defied foreign dictation, &c., &c. The leading men of the revolution, civil, military and naval, pledged him their support, and only exacted from him a promise that as soon as possible he would call a congress in Lima. In Callao this movement was seconded and approved, some of the speakers making most inflammatory appeals to the new government to institute immediate war against Spain. When the steamer left, many were expecting an immediate declaration from the Dictator that he disavowed the late treaty with Spain, and that he would make common cause with Chili against that Power.

Heavy gales have visited the coast of Peru, the surf in many places doing great damage to property and causing some loss of life.

There is nothing important from Ecuador. Congress closed its sessions on the 17th November.

BOLIVIA.

On the 16th November, two "divisions" of the troops of the revolutionary party left La Paz for the South, to operate against the government forces. MELGASEJO was in Potosi with 2,500 men, with which to combat the revolutionists.

CHILI.

Dates are to Nov. 18. There was no change in the aspect of affairs between this republic and Spain, except that a report, generally discredited, was current in Valparaiso, that the dispute had been nearly settled, and only needed a little formal action, not at all difficult, to lay it on the shelf. Valparaiso, Coquimbo, Caldera, Tome and Talcahuano continue under blockade, while fifty-four ports remain open, one of them only forty miles from Valparaiso, to which a good road is in course of construction. One of the papers remarks:

"Admiral PAREJA evidently was not prepared for the reception he has met with in Chili; he cannot land any body of men along all the coast, nor can he procure at any price fresh provisions; the people feel an utter contempt of him, his nation and his ships, while all the time government is not idle with measures which will, in due time, rid them of their pretensious enemy. The working classes, who are the greatest sufferers hitherto, by being thrown out of employment, have borne patiently and calmly any loss; the criminal records even show less crime since this affair broke out, and altogether the people of the republic seem to be animated with a zeal for their country's honor and a hatred of the power, so much their superior in brute strength, though it be, that time will soon bring out victory and freedom for ever from Spanish aggression.

Of course nothing can be mentioned particularly of the state of trade and general business at Valparaiso in these days. The foreign merchants, English and American principally, are suffering heavily from the closing of the principal ports of the country, and not knowing how long the present state of affairs may continue."

In Valparaiso we have the sloop-of-war *St. Marys* and the steamer *Mohongo;* the British have the steamer *Leander* and corvette *Columbine;* the French, the frigate *Pallas* and transport *Eurydice;* and the Italians, the frigate *Prince Humbert.*

Dates from the River Plate are not so late as you have in New-York.

Spain and Chili—Men of War at Valparaiso—Revolution in Peru—Affairs in New-Granada.

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Dec. 13.

The steamer *Chili*, from the South Coast, arrived here on the 5th inst., bringing dates from Valparaiso to the 18th ult. and from Callao to the 28th.

Advices from Chili state that during the fortnight ending Nov. 18, little or no change had taken place in war matters; but every day the people are drawn more and more closely together, to do and suffer, if need be, to the utmost, for the honor of their country against Spain. By last mail you learned that the blockade had been restricted to six principal ports. This leaves the republic some fifty-four ports open—one of which, about forty miles from Valparaiso, will soon have communication with that city by means of a good road, which is now being constructed. The English company running steamers on the coast immediately changed their itinerancy so as to embrace the open ports, and at the same time placed some of their largest steamers in the line; so the import and export business is likely to be carried on with all its usual, if not greater, activity. The passengers and mails are carried regularly to and from Valparaiso by the steamers of the same company. A Chilian privateer, named the *Atacama*, was reported to be fitting out, and would, it was said, soon be on the high seas. The state of trade and business generally at Valparaiso is, of course, anything but favorable. The foreign merchants, especially the Americans and English, were the greatest sufferers.

The following foreign men-of-war were reported at Valparaiso when the mails left on the 18th of November: H. B. M. steamer *Leander* and corvette *Columbine;* U. S. sloop *St. Marys* and steamer *Mohongo*, lately from Rio; French ship *Pallas* and transport *Eurydice*, and Italian frigate *Principe Humberto*.

In Bolivia, matters remain in an unsettled condition, the revolution not having been brought to a close. Some slight disturbance had occurred at Cubiga with some Chilenos, because the authorities of the place would not prohibit the supply of coal to the Spaniards.

The Peruvian news by this steamer is very important indeed. Another revolution has taken place, and a new government has been established. Immediately on the success of the first revolution, Gen. CANSECO was installed as President. He at once set about organizing a government, and adopting measures to restore public order. A Cabinet had been chosen, and new appointments made to nearly all the public offices. Thus surrounded by partisans of the revolution who were supposed to be his friends, it was believed quiet had been for a time restored: but it was of short duration. A spirit of opposition, which had been secretly fostered, made itself public on the 26th of November. On that day a public meeting was called in Lima, to take into consideration the state of the country and the course to be adopted in regard to the Spanish question.

The meeting assembled that afternoon in the plaza, and the result was, Gen. PRADO, also a leader in the late revolution, was declared Dictator for the salvation of the national honor.

The leading men of the revolution pledged themselves to him, as also a large number of citizens, and the entire country was placed under his charge, with the sole condition that as soon as possible he would call together a congress.

CANSECO's reign was but a short one. How long PRADO's will continue it is not easy to divine. When the steamer sailed from Callao, matters were apparently quieted; but a deep feeling of uneasiness pervaded the entire community. It seemed more than probable that PRADO would disavow the Pareja-Prinzon-Spanish treaty, and declare Peru in alliance, offensive and defensive, with Chili.

Much damage has been caused along the coast by heavy surfs.

Since the departure of the last mail there has been no arrival from the Central American Republics, consequently there is nothing to report from that quarter.

From the interior of this republic there is but little of interest. Latest advices state that the revolution in the State of Magdalena is far from being suppressed. The revolutionary forces, it was said, recovered strength, and were menacing the City of Santa Marta.

The telegraph from Bogota, under the superintendence of Mr. STILES, is being rapidly pushed forward.

Endeavors are being made to have the City of Bogota lighted by gas by a New-York company. The government had decreed that the coal deposits discovered in the State of Magdalena shall at once be worked for the benefit of the republic.

On the Isthmus political affairs are apparently quiet, but in reality they are in anything but a settled condition. In the beginning of the month an attempt was made to get up a revolution, but it was nipped in the bud, and some of the leading spirits were arrested. So for the present all is serene.

The steamer *Henry Chauncey*, from New-York, arrived at Aspinwall at 1:15 o'clock P. M., on the 8th inst., having made the trip in about seven days—something very unusual.

The Panama Railroad Company's brig *Costa Rica* arrived at Aspinwall in a leaky condition, on the 11th inst., thirty days from Nassau, where she was obliged to put in for repairs.

The *Costa Rica* sailed for New-York about the middle of October, and was caught in the terrible storm which raged along the Atlantic coast in the latter part of that month. The brig *Xanthe*, of the same company, arrived at Aspinwall on the 3d inst.

Capt. GEO. H. BUTLER, the recently appointed United States Inspector of Customs on the Isthmus, arrived out per the steamer *Henry Chauncey*.

NEW-GRANADA.

Discoveries of Gold—Miscellaneous Items.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1865.

We have nothing later from the interior of the republic. In local matters there is not much of interest. In Tumaco and Barbacoas, in our neighboring State of Cauca, rich gold mines, it is currently reported, have been discovered. Four men took out in eight days thirty pounds of gold. In one month, with very few workers, $80,000 in gold was taken out.

Since the attempt at revolution, on the 29th, the city has been quiet, and will be quiet so long as the military remain faithful to the present State administration.

The new tax assessors are apportioning the rates for the commercial contribution for the ensuing year. I hear that this tax is increased about five per cent. on Panama and Aspinwall. A tax of four per cent. on the income of real estate or buildings is also to be imposed after the 1st of January.

The United States sloop-of-war *Cyane* is in port. In Aspinwall we have the gunboat *James Adger*. Perhaps you have already heard that the *Tuscarora* arrived at St. Thomas on the 10th November, and sailed on the 20th. The *Vanderbilt*, *Powhatan* and the iron-clad *Monadnock*, reached St. Thomas on the 11th and sailed on the 18th November, to touch at Cayenne.

Capt. GEO. BUTLER has assumed the duties of United States Special Inspector of Customs at Panama.

The brig *Costa Rica*, of New-York, which in a heavy gale lost her master, Capt. PEEL, and one man, and then put into Nassau damaged, arrived at Aspinwall three or four days since with cargo unbroken. She had at one time five feet of water in her hold. She is now discharging. Of course her cargo is badly wet. She will go home under the command of Capt. CASSIDY.

The *Henry Chauncey* made the run out to Aspinwall this trip in seven days and one hour. Her passengers left Panama for San Francisco on the 9th, all well.

FROM MEXICO.

Entry of the Empress into Merida—The Imperial Failure at Matamoras.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Dec. 16.

The Empress CHARLOTTE made her entry into Merida, the capital of Yucatan, on the morning of the 23d ult., with all the noise and hubbub that usually accompany a holiday in Spanish cities. The cannon of the Fortress San Benito fired a salute, all the church bells were set a ringing, and thousand of rockets fired in the air, to which were added the shouts and acclamations of the assembled multitude, to welcome their young and lovely sovereign.

Her Majesty was met at the entrance of the city by a committee of the municipality, headed by the chief Alcalde, who presented her with the keys, and from here until her arrival at the cathedral, her passage was one triumphant ovation. *Te Deum* having been offered up at the cathedral, her Majesty, at the conclusion, proceeded to the residence prepared for her use, and received the homages and congratulations of her Yucatecan subjects. The Empress made the people a speech, concluding with a cheer for the peninsula of Yucatan.

The Emperor, who had remained in Mexico, was to have left on the 2d inst. for Cuernavaca. On the same day the French transport steamer *Jura* arrived at Vera Cruz with 615 soldiers.

The Imperialists are boasting that the attack upon Matamoras was not only a failure, but a complete defeat. They say that MELO, the Republican Governor of New-Leon, arrived at Cerralvo with only four men; that ESCOBEDO had arrived at Cadereita with twenty men, being all that he had remaining of the force which he led against Matamoras; that the Republicans were all in the greatest anarchy; that CORTINA would not acknowledge ESCOBEDO; and that the latter was on bad terms with CANALES; so that the greatest confusion prevailed among them.

The same accounts state that the greatest tranquillity pervaded every part of the department of Durango; that there was not existing in it the smallest band of Republicans, and that the Imperial troops which were on the march to Tancahuitz to take a part in the operations against the parties headed by MARTINEZ, ESCAMILLA, FIGUERON, CHAGOLLAN, and other chiefs who were known to be going in the direction of Huasteca, had not as yet heard anything of them. According to the last accounts received at the office of the Prefect of Police, there was complete tranquillity in the District of Tancanhuita, although so neighboring to the theatre of operations. A guerrilla chief, named MEJIA, of that district was, completely beaten, and being compelled to fly, was taken and shot on the 12th inst.

At Tampico these guerrilla chiefs, who had been taken prisoners by the troops campaigning in Tamaulipas, were also shot.

The latest news received at Vera Cruz from Matamoras is dated the 26th ult. According to this, the Republicans were repulsed and completely dispersed. The action was very sharp, but glorious for the Imperial arms. The three small steamers armed by Commander CLOUE, had very much intimidated the Republicans. Matamoras was quiet, and ships passed up and down the river without having been once fired upon.

LARA.

VIRGINIA.

Action of Gen. Terry—Measures to Preserve Peace.

RICHMOND, Va., Wednesday, Dec. 20.

Gen. TERRY has given assurance to the committee of the Legislature that most vigorous measures have been taken to preserve peace and afford ample protection to the citizens. He deems no action necessary on the part of the Legislature.

The Legislature adopted a resolution to-day requesting the Governor to urge the Postmaster-General to increase the mail facilities of Virginia.

The memorial of Gen. LEE, President of Washington College, asking for appropriations in aid of establishing five additional Professors in that institution, was presented in the Legislature to-day.

Fatal Affray.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

JACOB METZ, tavern-keeper, of the Twelfth Ward, was shot this evening at a public house, on the corner of Eleventh and Sansom streets, by a party of men, during a political quarrel. Five shots were fired, and three took effect, making serious wounds. Two [illegible]

STRONG DIVORCE CASE.

Mrs. Heckshers's Deposition Concludes the Evidence for the Defence.

REBUTTING TESTIMONY.

Evidence of Mrs. Hillaker for the Plaintiff.

Quite a Different Account of No. 124 Waverley-Place.

If we may judge from the crowded state of the court room yesterday, the public interest in this dreary case continues unabated. The direct testimony for the defence has closed, and the plaintiff now offers evidence in rebuttal. The case gives promise of lasting another week.

Mr. Gerry—In the confusion of yesterday I omitted to ask permission to call Mr. Hasbrouck, a name mentioned by more than one witness on the stand, and I respectfully ask your Honor's permission to admit it. The evidence is in the same line as the rest which I propose to produce.

Mr. Cram—I shall make no objection in this particular case, but I trust that hereafter your Honor will hold us both to a strict rule, so that this case may be ended some of these years.

EVIDENCE OF WM. JONES.

I am policeman in the Seventeenth Precinct and have been four years as a patrolman; I was in the Fifteenth Precinct in 1862 and 1863; I went on in 1861 and left the latter part of 1863; No. 124 Waverley-place was in my patrol in the Spring of 1863, at night; my attention was attracted by the sign; I saw women go in and out; from their appearance I should judge them to be loose women.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

I never reported the house; I knew none of the women; they came out in the day and evening; I saw them go in and out.

Re-direct—The patrol lasted six hours; I was on the beat every other night.

EVIDENCE OF J. W. BOOTH.

I live at No. 78 Bedford-street; I was executor of the estate of John Kettleman; he left a widow, a young woman, 25 or 26 years of age; I had occasion to inquire about No. 124 Waverley-place in June, 1863; I had called at the house to pay Mrs. Kettleman money due her from the estate; she was disappointed in the amount, and wanted to see my associate executor; I told him, and he agreed to go four or five days after; we went together, and he told her she was receiving her whole share; she said she didn't know the parties she lived with; I inquired about the house of Capt. Caffrey; saw no other.

Cross-examination—Mrs. Kettleman was boarding there; I knew nothing about her.

Re-direct—I don't know how long she lived there.

EVIDENCE OF H. C. ALLEN.

I am in no business; I was in the law and military professions; I held the commission of Lieutenant-Colonel in the One Hundred and Sixth New-York; I was an assistant in the District-Attorney's office from 1858 to 1861; I was a clerk with Joseph Blunt and Mr. Waterbury; I live at No. 171 Macdougal-street, and have about twenty-eight years; it is near Waverley-place; I know the general reputation of No. 124 Waverley-place and what was said about it; it was bad so far as I heard.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

By Juror—I was at the war from Spring of '61 to the Winter of '61, and then went in again in 1864.

EVIDENCE OF D. B. HASBROUCK.

I am clerk to Police Commissioners; I have been with the department since 1857; I am deputy clerk; I remember the organization of the Medical Institute; in the fall of 1862 several cards were put on my table of this institute; I was dispensing the relief fund; I inquired of my clerk and he said they were left there by some ladies; the fund was a special one raised by the department for the raising of the Police regiments; a register was kept of the members of the regiments and of the families entitled to assistance; there were two Wm. Smiths on the One Hundred and Sixty-second Regiment register—Mrs. Wm. Smith, wife, No. 301 Monroe-street, and moved to No. 51 Mott-street; another one at No. 207 Madison-street, wife and one child; I can't state at this distant day whether I sent this woman to No. 124 Waverley-place; the cards were on the table, and I asked the Captain about it; Mrs. Potter or Mrs. Walsh called, and I said Mrs. Smith was at her house and that she was entitled to relief from us; there was one woman whose name was Stout; a physician called on me and said she was not being properly attended to; I sent an officer to see about it, with directions to take her to the hospital if she wanted to go; I think she stayed there until she became convalescent; I was never there; this was in the Winter of 1862-3.

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

I have the name of Mrs. Smith in another book—the cash record; she applied to me for relief for herself and two children; we gave her extra relief because she said she had two children; she produced a certificate from her husband's commanding officer; when Mrs. Potter called she told me that Mrs. Smith had no children, and expressed her surprise at the statement, and said the officers had been imposed upon.

Re-direct—I don't remember that Mrs. Potter said anything about taking children; she said Mrs. Hilliker was there with her children; Mrs. Hilliker's husband was in another regiment; I haven't the book of that regiment; I can get it; he was in the Second Metropolitan; she drew for two children; she resided with Mrs. Potter, at No. 124 Waverley-place, and drew what she was entitled to under my award; they made application from time to time, and I paid them at my discretion; the payment to her ceased some time since—certainly a year and a half ago; I have not seen Mr. Hilliker since his return; if the wives became immoral we discontinued payments.

Re-cross—We awarded $20 to wives without children; the fund amounted to $60,000; there were five infantry and one cavalry; a wife and two children drew $28; Mrs. Smith drew $28.

After the exclusion of certain letters between the counsel of the defendant, and pending the arrival of Judge Stuart, the Judge called up the question of

MRS. HECKSHER'S DEPOSITION.

Mr. Gerry—I would like to know the specific objection of the other side to the answer.

Mr. Cram—To gratify you, I'll repeat it. I object that it's irresponsive; I asked her about a conversation of a day previous on the subject of secresy; instead of replying, she gave a series of statements about other transactions. Then, too, they have no right to read it.

Mr. Gerry—This involves two questions of law. If a question is asked and answered, and the same reduced to writing, can the party asking the question avoid the answer? And the second question is, is it responsive?

The Court—I have held with you on the first question, and will hear you on the other.

Mr. Gerry—Then that disposes the first. In the first place the question states a fact, and then asks the opinion of the witness as to the meaning of a particular word. It is not limited to the grammatical meaning of the word secresy, but calls for her opinion on the entire question of agreement. We offer to show that Mrs. Hecksher repeats the entire conversation.

The Court—It is not, in my judgment, responsive to the question. If it were so I would hold that they might read it. I will exclude all this evidence, beginning on page forty-eight down to page fifty.

Mr. Gerry then offered to read those portions of the testimony of Mrs. Hecksher, in reference to the admissibility of which decision was reserved at the time of taking the deposition; and read the portions now admitted by the court. The great body of Mrs. Hecksher's testimony was merely confirmatory of evidence introduced by the defence at an earlier stage of the trial. The portions read were admitted, subject to Mr. Cram's objection and exception. In reference to the beginning of the illicit connection between Edward Strong and her sister,

MRS. HECKSHER DEPOSED:

My sister did not tell me how long her criminal relations with Edward Strong lasted; nor when they came to an end; they all lived there as one family, and they were in the habit of going to each other's rooms quite freely; she said that one morning, at breakfast, Edward said to her, "Mary, I want to speak to you in my room;" that when she went there, he locked the door, pointed a loaded pistol at her, and said, "Mary, if you scream you are a dead woman;" that she replied, "You wouldn't shoot me, Edward;" he replied, "As that fly on the wall;" she then told me that he had repeatedly threatened her with violence; that on one occasion, at Newport, she went out to drive, rather at the instance of her husband, who thought she was disagreeable not to go; and that in the conversation in the carriage, Edward Strong became very much excited and angry, and offered to throw her off the cliff, and that she herself thought she was lost; she said he had repeatedly threatened her with a pistol; that was the conversation at that time, so far as I remember; she then told me what happened at Twenty-first-street; it was at this one time she told me that; she told me that her husband had gone to the woman Mrs. Potter; she told me about that whole matter; also, that when they went to Islip, Mr. Strong had proposed to live with her there, and to treat her as his wife, and that, so far as he was able to do so, he would see that no one should suspect that there was any trouble between them; it was after coming to New-York that he spoke of making public what had happened.

Q.—Do you remember anything that you said on that occasion? A.—I listened; I was too thunder-struck to say much of anything.

Q.—Did she tell you that she had had adulterous intercourse with Edward Strong? A.—She did not say that.

Q.—Did she pretend that she was innocent in her relations with Edward Strong? A.—Not totally; she said that Edward Strong had violated her, and that afterward he had taken advantage of his position and threatened her with discovery in order to secure the gratification of his passions; she told me also that she had begged and implored him to leave Waverley; that he could and she could not; she did not represent it as a continuing matter; on the contrary, she distinctly told me it was not so; she represented their intercourse as taking place at periods of months between; she represented herself to me as a woman that had been very cruelly treated; I asked her why she did not complain to any person of the injury done her in the first place, and she said she was afraid of bloodshed; she told me that what led to any confession at all was the first kindness she received from her husband after the death of her child—the first she had received from him for years; the words she used were, that he "had violated her;" I don't know anything about the last time; I only know about the first; it occurred in Edward Strong's room at Waverley; she did not tell me that she had confessed to Mrs. Benjamin Strong.

Mr. Cram read portions of the cross-examination of Mrs. Hecksher.

Q.—You felt that that conversation would be very strong evidence against Mr. Strong in case he proceeded against your sister? A.—Yes, most assuredly.

Q.—Did you tell him that if he attacked your sister it would be used against him to prove the abortion? A.—I told him that I would tell my father.

Q.—Did Mrs. Strong ever tell you that her connection with Edward was against her consent? A.—She never told me anything about it one way or the other. She told me that she had confessed to her husband.

EVIDENCE OF THOMAS STEWART.

I was a Justice of the First District Court in '62 and '63. I have examined the records from Jan. 1, '62, to July, '63; I find no record of any case having been tried before me entitled Strong *vs.* Potter and Walsh, or Walsh *vs.* Purdy, or Potter *vs.* Purdy.

Defence rest.

REBUTTAL.

EVIDENCE OF MARY HILLAKER.

I reside corner of Seventy-first-street and Eighth-avenue; I have been married six years; my husband is a carpenter; he went to the army in the Fall of 1862; I had two children at that time; I have lived at No. 124 Waverley-place; I went there the day after Christmas, '62, and remained there until May 7, '63; I am Mrs. Potter's niece; I occupied a large room on the top floor—an attic room; there was a fire there when I built it; I generally sat in Mrs. Potter's room—the back room on the first floor; the business of the house was transacted in her room; the writing materials were kept on her table; when people came there to see her on business they were taken to that room; I don't remember that Mrs. Potter was ill in '62; she was in '63, some time in January.

Q.—State as fully as you can the commencement of that illness? A.—It might have been a week or a fortnight after I went there; she was sick about ten days; she got up to see about her benefit at Cooper Institute; she was taken ill again, had a miscarriage, and remained sick until the latter part of April; she suffered most in February and March; in March her limbs were very much swollen from the knee down; she could not be moved in bed without screaming; she was very sensitive as to noise; she could not stand any draughts at all, and the passage into the hall had to be locked; the other doors were not locked; I did not see any one there on business during that time, but I know of their coming; her legs were each as large as two; her feet were as round as an apple, almost; she could not walk; if she got out at all in March, she had to be lifted out into the rocking-chair at the side of the bed.

Q.—Did you nurse Mrs. Potter? A.—I did; all the time; beside the rheumatism she was troubled with a great flow of blood from that time until after I left; her legs were a kind of reddish and purple, in streaks, as though the veins were swollen; the joints were swollen; her knees and ankles looked like large lumps; Mrs. Adams occupied her bed a part of the time in April; previous to that Mr. Potter slept with her; it was the very largest sized double bedstead; while she had rheumatism, I remember seeing Mr. Dale there once; I did not see a lawyer named Leckz there; I do not remember seeing Mr. Strong there during the time she was ill; along the latter part of February, sometime during the middle of the day, the door-bell rang and Mrs. Walsh went to the door and came and said that Mr. Strong was in the front parlor; that he had called to see about security for the rent; Mrs. Potter said she would have him brought in to her room; I put a clean cap on her and washed her face, and drew the table near and put writing materials on it, and then took my children and went down stairs; Mrs. Walsh went out of the room at the same time I did; as I was going down stairs I did not look up, but I could tell there was a gentleman there; Mrs. Walsh stood there in the hall until I heard the gentleman step inside of the room; I knew Mary Smith then; she was near-sighted; she used to get the *Mercury* to see the proceedings of the regiment her husband was in, and she wanted me to read it, as she could not herself; on another occasion she dropped a needle, and asked me to look for it for her, as she could not see well; I know Mrs. Walsh by sight, also Mrs. Massey.

Q.—Do you see them in court? A.—Yes, Sir; *there*, (pointing them out.)

Mr. Graham—Are they exhibits in the case? If so, they had better be marked. [Laughter.]

Mr. Cram—You mark them, Mr. Graham.

Mrs. Potter borrowed $15 of me in February, 1863, toward paying the rent; I took a shawl for Mrs. Walsh, a silk dress for Mrs. Potter, and spoons of Mrs. Potter, and pledged them to raise money for the rent; I think that was in March, 1863.

Q.—During the time you lived there, what was done in the house? A.—When I first went there it was kept as a medical institute; in 1863, in the Spring, they concluded to break up, as it did not pay, and Mrs. Walsh took the house from Mrs. Potter to keep it as a boarding-house; when I left, there were both men and women boarding there; there were four persons; Mrs. Potter kept for her own use the back parlor and the sleeping-room off; I went to live with Mrs. Potter again in Sixth-avenue in November, 1864, and remained until the 20th or 21st of May, 1865; there was a crockery-store on the first floor; Mrs. Potter occupied the second floor; the fourth floor was occupied by the family of Mr. Dunham, the store-keeper, and Mr. Turnbull; this diagram represents correctly the second story of that house; the front room was used for a parlor and office; Mr. and Mrs. Potter slept in the back room; I in the middle bedroom; there was no door between the middle room and front room; there was an entry between the front room and the back room as shown on one side of the diagram; there was a window of four panes of common-sized glass in the centre of the bedroom, between the centre room and the front room; it was generally kept open; it opened on hinges; it has no curtain; the door was usually open in the daytime between the back and the middle room; I usually passed my time on the bed or in a rocking-chair in the back room; I had the pleurisy and erysipelas; the 17th of January was the first day I went out; I went out only two or three time in January; I was out nearly all day on the 24th of January; no other day that I can remember.

Q.—You saw the persons who came there? A.—Yes; most of them.

Q.—Could you see into both the back and front rooms from the middle? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you see any gentleman, during the month of January, '63, coming there frequently? A.—No, Sir.

Q.—Did you see Mr. Strong there in the month of January? A.—No, Sir; I never saw him there at all; I never saw him at No. 124 Waverley-place; I never saw him at all until yesterday in the court; I saw Mr. Jones point him out here.

Q.—Is that the gentleman? (pointing to Mr. Strong.) A.—Yes, Sir.

Q.—Do you remember the occurrences of any particular day in January? Yes; of the 16th, 17th and 18th; the 16th was my birthday.

A.—Describe the house on the next day, the 17th—who was there, &c.? A.—Mr. and Mrs. Disney, from Utica, were staying there then; they came several days before, and went away several days afterward; between one and three o'clock that day they and the people of the house were in the parlor; Mrs. Potter was backward and forward in both rooms; if I am not mistaken we had lunch that day about half-past twelve; my recollection is very distinct as to their all being in there at that time; I never saw any one come out of that house frequently in January, wearing a glazed cap, except the man who lived up stairs—Wm. Turnbull; he had visitors come to see him: mostly men.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

My name before marriage was Mary Eliza Marvin; born in Chemung County; father is dead; mother lives in Yates County; she is married now, and has two children; her husband is a farmer; he resides in Starkie; it is about fifteen months since I saw her; I saw her at her house; I went on in August, and staid until October, 1864; I was in this city in November, 1864; I applied for admission to Bellevue Hospital to Mr. Kellogg; I applied because I was sick, and wanted to go in there; I did not tell him what ailed me; I was *not* taken into the venereal ward of the hospital; I will swear to that; I never was under treatment at Bellevue Hospital for venereal disease, neither in November, 1864, nor in November of any other year; when I applied for admission I gave my own name; I was married in 1860, in the Minister's house, in Jane-street; I have lived with my husband ever since, except when he was away in the army; I am living with him at present; I remained in the hospital about two weeks; I don't know the names of the physicians who attended me; I think I went in about the 1st of November; I came out about the 10th; when I went there Mrs. Potter was out of town; she and I had some trouble; I had been stubborn and ugly, and I didn't think she had a right to scold me so; she thought I did not do so much work as I ought; I was making vests for Longstreet & Bradford; they paid me from 18 to 20 cents a piece; it was impossible to live on what they paid me; I gave up making vests and took to stiching epaulets, the straps on soldiers' arms.

Q.—When you went to Waverley-place did you apply for relief from the Soldiers' Relief Fund? A.—I had drawn it ever since my husband went away; Mrs. Potter knew of it; when my husband was at the war I maintained myself a part of the time with the money that I drew from the relief fund, the money he sent me and the money that I earned; my first child was born in 1860 or 1861; I cannot tell when the second was born; she was three years old in July last; I had both of them at Waverley-place; I stated that fact to Mr. Hasbrouck; the Captain of the precinct where I lived sent a visitor; I know Louis Prentice: that is he standing over there by that card—the man with the white overcoat. [Laughter.]

Q.—Was he one of the visitors at that house? A.—I have seen him there once or twice.

Q.—Do you remember his telling you, in February, 1865, that he would do all in his power to send Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Potter to the State Prison, and that Cram and Robinson had four affidavits of his, either of which would send Mrs. Walsh to State Prison?

Mr. Cram—I don't know whether they mean to try Mrs. Potter, or Cram, or Robinson, or Prentice, here, but, at all events, I object to the question. (Excluded.)

The first I heard of this suit was along in November, 1864; I made an affidavit in this case before I learned last Saturday that I was to be a witness here; I went to Mr. Robinson's office; I told him, in substance, that I wanted to be a witness in this case; I think he knew before that I was a connection of Mrs. Potter's; I don't know a man named Ling, a sporting man; I did go to Albany in 1864, August; I was going to Yates County; I had a state-room in the night boat; I occupied it myself; he did not occupy it with me; I know a Mrs. Sloat, a woman I did some sewing for; I do not know that I ever heard of Jane Edwards, who lives in Broome-street; I know a woman named Eltimyer; she is a relative of my husband; she has always been very kind to me; I have never been at No. 238 Greene-street; I did not go there on the 18th of May, 1865; I will swear I did not; I do not know what that house is.

Q.—Before you went to see Mr. Robinson, Saturday, did you see Mrs. Potter? A.—I did; she did not tell me she wanted me to be a witness; she said I could do as I pleased.

Q.—When you were in Bellevue Hospital did you wear your hair long or short? A.—Long; I did not cut it, it came out; I had erysipelas in my head; Mrs. Potter called it erysipelas; I did not have it at the hospital; it did not break out; it *came* out in February; I have not been at Bellevue since that time; when Mrs. Potter was ill at No. 124 Waverley-place I saw her nearly all the time; Mr. Potter went away in the morning about half-past six or seven, and returned in the evening at from six to eight o'clock; he was home all day Sundays, except when he went to church; I was not present just at the time when Mrs. Potter had the miscarriage; I saw her about a quarter of an hour afterward; she had then a very violent flow; I saw the child; I cannot tell how old it was; it was the first one I had ever seen—of the kind; I had not noticed before that Mrs. Potter was pregnant; I didn't know anything at all about it; she had the child in her own bed; she doctered herself for a short time, and then Dr. Dennis was called in; he was her doctor; there was also another, Dr. W. J. Walsh.

Q.—How do you know she had rheumatism? A.—Because I took care of her.

Q.—Did it ever occur to you that that swelling might be the result of the miscarriage? A.—I don't know anything about such things; I know it was rheumatism; Dr. Dennis said so; Mrs. Potter did not tell him in my presence that she had a miscarriage; I don't know whether she ever told him or not; I was in her room the night before the miscarriage; she was complaining then; after the miscarriage she was much worse with the rheumatism than before; I put potash and Indian meal to her legs; she directed me to do so herself; Dr. Dennis prescribed some sort of black decoction; he gave her some medicine to drink and some powders; the black decoction he bound on her limbs; she was taken out of bed once a day to have it changed; Mrs. Massey and I took her out usually; she would scream with pain; it was generally done in the forenoon; Mrs. Potter did not want to see her bed changed; I never knew of her fainting but once; she never told me she had produced a miscarriage on herself by artificial means; I don't know anything about that; she had complained for two or three weeks of the rheumatism; she was so bad that she could not walk; the back windows opened on to the piazza; I don't remember that the back windows were stopped with cotton; I have heard Mrs. Potter say that she thought Mr. Daly was her cousin, from a personal resemblance to a cousin of hers; she did not call him cousin; I never heard him call her anything; I first saw Mary Smith at No. 124 Waverley-place, the day she came there, in January or February, I think.

Q.—When she requested you to read the paper was she pregnant?

Q.—Did you tell Mrs. Potter that you were going to be on the stand to-day? A.—She knew it yesterday; she has not been in court to-day to my knowledge; the things that I pledged were pledged at Mr. Leir's, in Sixth-avenue, above Fourth-street, and at Mr. Cramer's, in Carmine-street; I pledged them in my own name, Hillaker; I think it was either in March or April, 1863; they were pledged to help pay the rent; Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Potter told me so; I don't know what rent they paid; Mrs. Potter is now carrying on dressmaking; I got $10 to $11 on the goods I pawned; the shawl alone was worth four times as much; I cannot tell how much all the goods were worth; I suppose they may have cost altogether $150; that was not the first time I had been to a pawnbroker's; I had previously pawned my husband's dress coat; I had got a dollar on it.

Mr. Gerry—What did you do with the money? A.—I spent it for myself in the grocery-store; I have been at a pawnbroker's since; I was there in 1863; I pawned my husband's watch; it was worth about $40; I got $4 50 on it; it was to pay the rent of the rooms I was taking; I paid board at Mrs. Potter's; I paid it to Mr. Potter, $3 a week after I was able to earn it; I went there in November, '64; my husband was in the army then; he returned in June, 1865; he lives with me now; my children live with me also; my pleurisy and erysipelas have not entirely left me yet; Mr. Potter supported me during the time I was sick there; I could see into the back room from the middle room because the door was open; Mr. and Mrs. Disney, from Utica, are an old couple that Mr. and Mrs. Potter have been acquainted with for years; Mrs. Potter lives now at 800 Sixth-avenue; I know John P. Carr; have known him since March, '63; I think I wrote him a letter in March last; I did not keep a copy of the letter; didn't think it necessary.

Q.—Did you ever give any statement in writing to any one in reference to the occurrence at Waverley-place? A.—I did. It was not connected with the divorce case; I gave it to Mr. Clinton, Mrs. Potter's counsel; I have seen Mr. and Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Walsh use the writing material; I have spoken of, and I have used them myself; I never saw anybody else use them; I have seen others in the room, Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Burdick and others.

Witness still on.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendar—This Day.

Supreme Court—Circuit—*Part I.*—Nos. 2655, 2851, 2859, 2871, 2893, 2895, 2897, 2899, 2903, 2905, 2907, 2909, 2911, 2913, 2915, 2919, 2921, 2923, 2925, 2927. *Part II.*—Nos. 2960, 2962, 2964, 2966, 2968, 2970, 2972, 2974, 2976, 2978, 2980, 2982, 2984, 2986, 2988, 2990, 2992, 2994, 2996, 2998. *Part III.*—Nos. 2701, 2111, 474, 2131, 705, 2037, 2721, 1813, 1812, 2041, 875, 942, 1834, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2494.

Supreme Court—Chambers—Nos. 31, 34, 38, 49, 50, 53, 54, 57, 72, 74, 77, 104, 109, 110, 113, 134, 154, 184, 199.

The United States Supreme Court.

Chief-Justice Chase, Presiding.

AN EX-MAYOR OF NEW-YORK MAKES AN INVESTMENT IN IOWA BONDS—A WESTERN OPINION OF WALL-STREET—THE LAW OF CONTRACT—DISTINCTION BETWEEN PRIVATE AND GENERAL LAWS.

Wm. F. Havemeyer vs. *The Board of Supervisors of Iowa County.*—This action grew out of the following circumstances: The Constitution of the State of Wisconsin requires that all general laws shall be published before they become operative, or of any force or effect; that the laws shall be classified by the Secretary of State and Attorney-General into two classes—public or general, and private or local—the one to embrace all laws of a general nature, and the other to include such laws as do not fall within that definition.

In March, 1853, the Legislature of that State passed "An Act to authorize the counties and towns through which the Mineral Point Railroad passes, to aid in its construction." The County of Iowa accordingly elected to issue bonds, and they were issued and exchanged for the bonds of the Mineral Point Railroad. Subsequently to the issue and exchange of the bonds, the law authorizing the act was published by the proper authority *as a private and local law.* In 1854 the Legislature by an act authorized similar aid by certain towns in constructing a plank-road by subscribing for its stock; and the election was had and subscriptions made *before the publication of the law*, as in this case, the question of the validity of those bonds was taken before the Supreme Court of the State in Hewett *vs.* The Town of Grand Chute, (7 Wis. 282) and it was there held that the act of 1854 was a *private statute* and did not require to be published to become operative. The bonds were therefore sustained, the court being unanimous in that opinion.

In 1859, after all the bonds issued by the defendants in this action had been issued, a new bench of judges held that the laws authorizing the issuance of municipal bonds were not private laws, nor yet public local acts; but were general laws, not in force until published in some manner provided by law. Thereupon the defendants in this action repudiated their bonds on the ground that they were issued without authority of law, being issued before the publication thereof, it being then held to be a general law. Meanwhile Mr. Havemeyer had invested $80,000 in these bonds, and there were many hundred thousands of them abroad in the hands of holders who had taken them on the faith of the decision of the Supreme Court in 1854. Mr. Havemeyer being a non-resident, this action was brought in the United States Circuit Court for the District of Wisconsin, and the questions to be decided were, whether the act authorizing the issuance of these bonds is a general law within the meaning of the constitution of the State; whether the act not being published as a general act until after the issuance of the bonds, is not such an exercise of power by the State Government or Legislature showing that the act is not a general act, as will be conclusive on that point, and bind the courts; and whether, if the act is such a general law, any act or omission of the county, its officers or electors, short of an election under the act, after its publication, will render the bonds valid, or estop the defendants from questioning their validity in the hands of a *bona fide* holder. The court were divided in opinion, and the case comes here on a certificate thereof. The question for argument was whether the law was local or general, the plaintiff's counsel contending that it was private, and did not require publication to give it effect; that it applied only to portions of the State, and was necessarily local or private. The defendants' counsel contended that legislation affecting municipalities was public; such of it as related to all municipalities was general; and such of it as related to particular localities only was local. As to the decision whether a statute was public or private, that was, in its nature judicial; and it was not competent for the Legislature to vest it in persons other than prescribed by the constitution.

During the discussion, counsel for the County of Iowa said it did not become Wall-street to speak of the repudiation of bonds held by it "in good faith." It was a question in his mind whether *Wall-street was capable of holding anything in good faith.* That street was one of the confines of perdition; and the defendants only asked that the gates of hell might not be allowed to prevail against them. The counsel went on at some length with an amusing comparison of the morals of the East and the West, which caused merriment everywhere in the court-room except on the bench, where, of course, nothing is allowed to produce such an effect.

THE CHENANGO BRIDGE CASE—SURRENDER OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF A STATE—WILL THE INTENTION TO SURRENDER BE IMPLIED?

The Chenango Bridge Company vs. *The Binghamton Bridge Company.*—The plaintiffs have enjoyed the profits of their bridge at Binghamton (formerly Chenango Point) since 1805, under an act of the Legislature of that year, creating a number of corporations, among them the "Delaware Bridge Company" and the "Susquehanna Bridge Company." The act gave the Delaware Bridge Company sole and exclusive privileges as to bridges, ferries, &c., for two miles above and below their bridge; and extended the same powers, rights, privileges, immunities and advantages to the Susquehanna Company.

In pursuance of this act the plaintiff's bridge was erected (a company being formed with a capital stock of $10,000) at a cost of $4,500, and for the last thirty years they have declared dividends to the amount of 16½ per cent. on the capital stock of the company, or to about 35 per cent. on the sum actually expended in the erection of the bridge. Meanwhile, Chenango Point became Binghamton, and grew to be a city of 10,000 inhabitants in 1857, located on the east and west of the Chenango River. Up to 1855, this was the only means of crossing the river. In that year the Legislature incorporated the defendants' company, authorizing them to construct another bridge at a point not less than eighty rods above the bridge of the plaintiffs.

The plaintiffs resisted the erection of the bridge and sought to obtain a perpetual injunction against the defendants, alleging that the act authorizing them to build a bridge was unconstitutional and void, in that it impaired the obligations of contract between the State and the plaintiffs, by which they were given perpetual privileges at the point on the river proposed to be occupied by defendants' bridge.

The question was whether the act giving to the Susquehanna Bridge Company the "same privileges," &c., that were given to the Delaware Bridge Company was such a specific and express surrender of the sovereignty of the State to the plaintiffs, as would entitle them to the relief asked. The court below held that it was not, and the case went to the Court of Appeals, and the judgment below was there affirmed.

It now comes before this court, in accordance with the provisions of the Judiciary Act, that when the validity of the statute of any State is drawn in question as being in repugnance to the Constitution of the United States, and the decision of the State court sustains its validity, it may be reviewed in this court.

The plaintiffs contend that, unless it be held that the State surrendered its sovereignty to them, the Legislature could at any time have rendered the franchise given them comparatively valueless *immediately upon the completion of the bridge, and before the corporation could be reimbursed*, by establishing free or other bridges within the prescribed limits. To this argument it was replied by defendants that such a supposition would involve the further supposition, that a State would act in *bad faith*, and that it would not, therefore, be entertained; also that the restriction was intended to act upon *persons*, and did not have in view any restraint upon the State to assert its sovereignty in respect to those riparian rights at any time. Further, that intended surrender of sovereignty by a State would in no case be *inferred or implied*; the intention must be *express*. Besides, the circumstances in this case would not even allow of an implication in favor of plaintiffs' view; for within a few rods below their bridge the Chenango River merged its identity and name in the Susquehanna River, and that, if such an extension is to be inferred, it would prevent the erection of a bridge, or the establishing a ferry across the latter, the only stream below within the prescribed limits.

H. R. Mygatt for plaintiffs; Hon. Daniel S. Dickinson for defendants.

Seaman's Wages—Forfeiture for Misconduct.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Frederich Munderloch vs. *The Bark Florence.*—This action is brought by the chief mate of the bark *Florence* to recover his wages and expenses while serving on board that vessel as chief mate. It appears that the libelant was verbally engaged by the master to go the voyage as chief mate; that in pursuance of such hiring he went on board and acted as chief mate until the vessel was loaded and cleared for sea; on the Saturday previous to her sailing the articles were signed by the crew, but a dispute arose between the master and mate as to the rate of wages to be paid the mate, and the mate did not then sign the articles; the Monday following the libelant was informed that another mate had been shipped, and he could leave; he thereupon went ashore, and shortly after commenced this action.

On the part of the libelant it is contended that the bark had proved to be unseaworthy, and he was therefore absolved from any obligation to sign articles or to proceed to sea in her, and he claims to be entitled to receive for the time he served the highest rate of wages out of port, that being, as he alleges, the rate agreed on between him and the master at the time he was engaged.

On the part of the respondent, it is insisted that the evidence shows a hiring of the mate at $40 a month; that the ship was seaworthy, and the mate, by refusing to sign articles, violated his agreement, and forfeited all claim for the services he had rendered. A further ground of defence is that the libelant, while in charge of the vessel as chief mate, abstracted from the vessel the chronometer, and by that act forfeited any wages which might otherwise have been due him.

Benedict, J.—It is not necessary for me to decide whether this vessel was or was not seaworthy, for the libelant testifies, in a very positive manner, that, notwithstanding the leak, he was willing to sign articles, go in the vessel, if the master had been willing to assent to the rate of wages which he claimed, and it is manifest from the evidence that the reason why the articles were not signed by the mate at the time they were signed by the crew, was because of a disagreement as to the rate of wages to be inserted, and not because of the condition of the vessel.

I think it equally clear that the difference between the master and mate as to the rate arose from the fact that the terms of the contract had not been fully understood and assented to at the time of the verbal engagement of the mate. The master swears positively that the mate agreed to go for $40 a month. The mate is as positive that the master agreed to give him the highest rate of wages out of port, and the evidence of the witness produced by the claimant, who heard a part of the conversation between the master and mate at the time of the engagement, is consistent with either theory. It appears, however, in evidence, that no positive requirement that he should sign articles at $40 per month was made of the mate after the misunderstanding as to the rate was disclosed; that after the mate had asserted his understanding of the agreement, and declared that he would not go for $40 a month, he was allowed to go on board again, and was there treated by the master as chief mate of the vessel.

The conduct of the parties at this time, as well as the subsequent offer to pay at a rate somewhat higher than $40, seems therefore to warrant the conclusion that the disagreement arose out of loose expressions used by the parties at the time of the verbal engagement, and not then fully understood and assented to. So I think the parties themselves treated the matter.

The fact therefore that the mate did not sign the articles, and left when informed that another mate had been shipped, cannot be held to be a ground of forfeiture.

The other branch of the defence rests upon the fact that soon after the difference as to the rate of wages arose, the libelant, while in charge of the vessel as chief mate, removed the chronometer from the vessel, took it to a boarding-house, and refused to give it up, after he had left the vessel, until compelled to do so by the action of the police.

This proceeding cannot be deemed other than an act of gross misconduct on the part of the libelant. He was not an ignorant sailor, but an intelligent chief mate. He was at the time in sole charge of the vessel, and in the position of a trustee. He is presumed to know, and must in fact have known, that the law gave him a perfect security, for any sum justly due him, and that the Court of Admiralty stands always open to adjudicate upon such demands with promptness and in the liberal spirit of the maritime law, and he deliberately undertook to decide for himself the question between him and the master, and to compel payment of his claim as he made it, by removing and unlawfully detaining a portion of the property committed to his charge.

Such an act should not be allowed to pass unnoticed in a court where violations of duty far more venial in character, when committed by seamen, are constantly punished by forfeiture of wages.

But it is contended that here no wages can be declared forfeited to the owner, for the owner sustained no loss inasmuch as the chronometer was regained by the police and returned without expense.

This defence cannot prevail according to the view which I entertain of the law applicable to such cases. I am of the opinion that it is the law of the sea, as well for the quarter-deck as for the forecastle, that any unlawful appropriation of any part of the vessel, her tackle, apparel or furniture, or of the cargo, will in a court of admiralty be visited with forfeiture of wages, either partial or total, according to the circumstances of the case, whether actual pecuniary loss to the owner by the act be proved or not.

I am aware that expressions can be found in books of high authority which seem to countenance the idea that forfeiture is but a compensation allowed to the owner for his loss to prevent circuity of action. I am also aware that in most of the reported cases of embezzlement the amount of the forfeiture has been limited to a sum sufficient to compensate the owner for the loss resulting from the unlawful act. A careful examination of the cases satisfies me, however, that the view here taken is sustained by good authority and rests upon principles well settled. No such limit as is contended for by the libelant is suggested by Lord Tenterden in his statement of the law of forfeiture. "It seems," he says, "that neglect of duty, disobedience of orders, habitual drunkenness, or any cause which will justify a master in discharging a seaman during a voyage, will also deprive him of his wages." (Abbott on Shipping, Part 4, ch. 3, sec. 4.) The language used by Chancellor Kent is: "Whatever unjustifiable conduct will warrant the act of the master in discharging a seaman during the voyage, will equally deprive the seaman of his wages." (3 Kent, p. 198.)

In the case of the *Blaireau*, (2 Cranch, 267,) Chief-Justice Marshall declares that forfeiture of salvage reward by embezzlement, and forfeiture of wages for embezzlement, rest upon the same ground. But it has never been supposed that the forfeitnre of salvage was limited to the amount of loss sustained by the owners of the property; nor do I understand that forfeiture of salvage for this offence has been inflicted as a method of compensating the owners for the damage sustained by them in the loss of their property.

The distinction in the law of forfeiture here involved is clearly alluded to by Lord Stowell in the case of the Baltic Merchant, (Ed. Ad., p. 93;) and was more distinctly announced by Judge Story, in Cloutman *vs.* Tunison, (1 Sum., 373.) In the latter case, which was a case of absence without leave, the learned Judge, while he finds that there was no statutory desertion, nor desertion under the maritime law, inflicts a partial forfeiture, and deems the owner entitled to withhold part of the wages due, "not merely as a compensation for the loss of the services of the second mate during the period, but something more, as a just admonition to officers having such high and responsible duties devolved upon them, and designedly departing from them." This view has been followed by the learned Judge of the Southern District of New-York, who, in Scott *vs.* Russell, (Olcott, p. 261,) inflicted a partial forfeiture "by way of correction and amends," and "with a view to operate as a proper check to seamen, rather than to compensate the owner." "The forfeiture authorized by law in cases of this nature," says Judge Story in a case of insubordination, "is not given to the owner as a mere boon, but is designed to operate primarily as a warning penalty upon seamen for misconduct." (The ship *Mentor*, 4 Mason, p. 97.) It is in accordance with this view of the maritime law that forfeitures are inflicted for insolence, for petty plunder of esculents, &c.: for it cannot be supposed that in such cases the amount of pecuniary damage sustained by the owner is to be computed, and its compensation the object of the decree. Forfeiture is inflicted in these cases "for the good of the service," to adopt an expression of Judge Story in one of the cases cited. The power to withhold part of the wages is given by the maritime law, in order the better to secure faithfulness and efficient service from an ignorant, unreliable, irresponsible class of men, and this power, when exercised in a proper case, with caution and a due regard for the weaknesses and temptations of this unfortunate class, a court of admiralty will always sustain. If such be the reason of the law of forfeiture, and such its application by the courts, I see no reason for excluding a case like the present from its operation. It comes within the letter of the law as declared by Lord Tenterden, Chancellor Kent, and perhaps within the more restricted language of Dr. Lushington, in the case of The Blake, (1 Lush. R.) The act of the libelant was one calculated to put at considerable risk a valuable article. The ship was already cleared and might well have been detained by his action. The master was put to the trouble of obtaining the assistance of the police, so that the case might well have permitted a deduction from the wages upon the ground of compensation for a "supposed loss," as has been done in some of the adjudged cases. I prefer, however, to place my decision upon the ground that the act was one of gross misconduct in a chief officer, a method of procedure calculated, if encouraged, to put every owner at the mercy of the crews to which he is obliged to intrust his property, an offence to be classed with the offences of insubordination, insolence, theft and the like, and like them to be visited with the maritime penalty of forfeiture.

I do not, however, think it necessary in this case to cast upon the libelant all the expenses of this proceeding in addition to the loss of his wages, and shall, therefore, allow him a portion of his demand. His claim is for $75; I allow him $25, but it must be without costs.

For libelant, Mr. Nash; for claimant, Mr. Hill.

The Martin Habeas Corpus Case—The Prisoner Produced—The Constitutionality of a Military Commission Argued—What Constitutes a Spy—Decision of the Court Reserved.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—DEC. 20.

Before Justice Leonard.

At the hour appointed for the hearing of this case yesterday, the Chambers of the Supreme Court were so densely crowded by members of the bar, interested parties and other spectators, that it was found inconvenient to proceed with the ordinary business, hence, after considerable delay, Justice Leonard decided that the argument should be proceeded with in the Circuit Court-room, Part I. Justice Barnard held Chambers meantime in the usual place.

The prisoner, Martin, was brought in by Second Lieut. Driscoll, of the First United States Infantry, attended by several subordinates, in uniform. After the opening of the court, Mr. Courtney, Assistant United States District-Attorney, said:

May it please your Honor, Gen. Hooker, acting under the advice of counsel, has thought it best to obey the writ as to the production of the prisoner Martin; he is now in court. We wish to have all the facts necessarily involved in the case fully before the court, and for this purpose we now offer to read an amended or supplemental return, in addition to the one which we produced on Monday last.

Mr. Larocque, counsel for the prisoner, said they did not know as there was any objection to this amended return, but if it was to be introduced he must ask the court for an order, committing the custody of his client to the Sheriff of the county during the pendency of the motion. He asked this, because, if justice was to be done to Martin, he must have an opportunity as counsel to consult with him, and the court well knew that no proper consultation could be had at Fort Lafayette, where everything seemed to be done at the point of the bayonet. Martin ought not be sent back to Fort Lafayette until this investigation was decided one way or the other.

The court said it would not dispose of that motion at present, and they must now go on with the merits.

Mr. Larocque wished to look at the amended return before it was read.

Mr. Courtney—With great pleasure.

Prisoner's counsel having examined it, Mr. Courtney read it, as follows:

GEN. HOOKER'S AMENDED RETURN.

Supreme Court—In the matter of the Application of Robert Martin.—And the said Joseph Hooker, so duly and lawfully commanding, as aforesaid, for a further additional amended and supplemental return to said writ of *habeas corpus*, further certifies and returns that the setting fire to the City of New-York, as aforesaid, was done in the night time, and to houses in which there were then and there human beings, whose names are unknown to the subscriber, and that at the time of such firing as aforesaid, the said Martin was an officer of the army of the so-called Confederate Government, and in rebellion against the lawful authority of the United States.

And I further certify and return, that at the time the said Martin was such spy as aforesaid, at the time and place aforesaid, he was an officer in the so-called Confederate army, in rebellion against the Government and lawful authorities of the United States; and that at such time as aforesaid, as such officer of the so-called Confederate army, he was disguised and assumed the dress of a citizen, and was not dressed in the military dress of an officer of the so-called Confederate army, and was at the time and place aforesaid found lurking about and acting as a spy of the so-called Confederate Government, in aid of the rebellion against the United States.

JOSEPH HOOKER.

Sworn before me this 19th day of December, 1865.

R. C. Elliott,
Notary Public, New-York City.

After the reading of the amendment, prisoner's counsel asked permission of the court to consult a few moments apart with his client, which was granted. Counsel and prisoner retired to the back part of the court-room, but closely followed by Lieut. Driscoll.

Mr. Larocque—If your Honor please, I object to this; I think I have the court's permission to consult my client, no third party being by to hear what is said.

A Voice—The Lieutenant does things in true military style, and he is right.

The Court—Officer give him about ten feet; it is proper to give him that distance.

The officer hereupon quietly retired to a seat without the bar.

After a few moments consultation, counsel said he had learned enough to satisfy him that it might be necessary to traverse the return, but for present purposes, and with the view of bringing the legal questions before the court, he desired to be considered as demurring to the return as amended by Gen. Hooker. Counsel wished it understood that by making any technical admissions as to the facts, he waived none of his rights.

The Court—Let me see what parts of it you propose to traverse.

Mr. Larocque—That part in relation to his being a spy, and some others. The court will see that there is no sworn testimony, so far, as appears, upon which this man can be detained in Fort Lafayette.

The Court—You can discuss the sufficiency of Gen. Hooker's return. There is no necessity for a written demurrer. It may be the demurrer will cover the whole ground. At the present stage of the case, the taking of any testimony would, I think, be superfluous. But if ultimately deemed necessary, the counsel for the prisoner is not to be precluded from taking testimony.

Mr. Courtney, on behalf of the government, said he moved to discharge the writ of *habeas corpus*, and as a consequence to have the prisoner remanded to Fort Lafayette. The return was conceded to be true, at least, that was the legal effect of the position of prisoner's counsel. It was conceded that during the existence of the late rebellion, a Confederate officer, in December, 1864, willfully and feloniously set fire to certain houses, and certain buildings in the City of New-York, in which there were at the time public records; that being such Confederate officer he came to New-York as a spy, and for these reasons, among others, the President of the United States had ordered that he should be tried in this city by a military commission. The return shows that Martin was an officer of the so-called Confederate Government during the rebellion. Had he been guilty of violating the Articles of War? Was his offence triable by a Military Commission during the existence of the war? If so then, why not now? There could be no dispute but that the offences charged were very grave and heinous. Setting fire to dwelling-houses in the night time, by the laws of this State, is arson, in the first degree, punishable with death. Every lawyer would say yes, and every layman that these offences of arson and being a spy in aid of the Confederate Government were triable during the war by a Military Commission. Has the lapse of time and the suppression of the rebellion changed the condition of things? That was the only question involved. He contended at great length, and with earnestness, that the offences were triable now, as during the war, before a military court. In support of his position, he read from Holt's Digest, pp. 79, 80, 81; also from Wheaton, p. 19. An opinion given by Judge Story was also cited in a case growing out of the War of 1812. Counsel also referred to the Act of Congress of 1795.

Another reason why it was the duty of this court to discharge the writ was, that by the United States laws, with which he said he had come into court fully armed, it was provided that anyone who was found lurking about any military post, encampment, fortification *or elsewhere*, in time of war, and who it could be shown belonged to or was connected with a government at war with the United States, should be tried by a military commission. They had shown that the prisoner was held by Gen. Hooker for trial by virtue of this law. Counsel cited a large number of cases in support of his position.

The court suggested that he knew of no law in this or any other State which prevented a State Court from inquiring into the detention of a prisoner held on a *mesne* process.

Mr. Courtney, in reply, cited the Cheshire case in Brooklyn, decided by Justice Lott.

Attorney-General D. S. Dickinson arose, he said, to explain one of the cases which had been cited by Mr. Courtney, and not for the purpose of making an argument.

Mr. Larocque, in reply, said the opposing counsel had naturally come prepared to argue the questions involved upon the amended return just made by Gen. Hooker. He, prisoner's counsel, was anxious to have the case speedily disposed of, but he might want to ask for time to furnish the court with some authorities. His opponent had mistaken his line of argument. The discussion was directed to proceed as upon a demurrer, and not upon the question as to the discharge of the writ. But the prisoner was not to be deprived of his right on account of any technical admission as to the facts. There were two questions presented: first, as to whether this court had power to inquire into the cause of detention; and second, whether, admitting his client guilty of the crimes charged, he could be tried by a military commission. There must be in all cases a warrant from the proper officer for the detention of a prisener, and this warrant must on its face show jurisdiction. There was nothing in the return to show that he had ever been charged under oath with any offence at all, except as appeared in the military orders from Washington of the date of Nov. 27, 1865, (already published in the Times.) These he read and commented on with much severity. He contended that it could not be established that prisoner was a spy. His case did not come within the military definition as to what constitutes a spy. On this point he argued at length. He admitted that he was charged with being a confederate of Kennedy, but who was this Kennedy? On the second point, counsel said, courts and citizens during the war had run wild on the subject of military commissions. The institution was a new one, the phrase even was not known until long after war commenced. The war-making power was in Congress and not in the President. The first we heard of a military commission for the purpose of trying offenders was in the proclamation of President Lincoln, when he suspended the writ of *habeas corpus*. Very soon after, in July, 1862, we see something of it in an act of Congress. The act barely alludes to it, and thus we see how abuses will creep in. Military commissions before this time were for the purpose of auditing accounts and some other things of a like nature. Now they were for the purpose of trying persons charged with arson. He submitted the question to the court, that Congress had no constitutional power to establish any such tribunal for the trial of criminals in a time of peace. Moreover, there was no provision as to how such commission should be constituted, how many Judges, or what their tenure of office.

Counsel argued the questions at great length and with much earnestness.

Mr. Courtney replied, and District-Attorney Dickinson said that he had examined some of the authorities cited, and proceeded to give his views as to what they decided.

At the conclusion of the argument the court said he should not give his decision until the 28th inst., and that counsel could, on or before Saturday next, submit to him any authorities they might have bearing upon the legal questions involved. He agreed with the counsel that they were worthy of the gravest consideration. It might be proper, and indeed necessary, to submit them to the General Term, which would meet next month. The court further remarked that he felt satisfied that Gen. Hooker had intended no disrespect to the court, in not producing the prisoner in the first instance. It was right that both the General and the counsel for the government should have time to consult with the authorities in Washington, and for that reason the case had been postponed until yesterday.

Mr. Laroque said that in the meantime he must confer with his client, and to save the government the trouble of bringing him to the city, he would apply for a pass to visit him at the Fort. Mr. Dickinson assured the counsel that he should have a pass, not only to go to Fort Lafayette, but to return.

The Green Murder Case—Sentence of Death Pronounced upon the Murderer.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Before Justice Sutherland.

The People vs. *John Hackett.*—The defendant in this case, who was last week found guilty of murder in the first degree in having caused the death of John Green by stabbing, was yesterday brought up for sentence. District-Attorney Bedford rose and said that it became his most solemn duty to move for judgment in the case of John Hackett, who had been convicted of the homicide of John Green.

The prisoner was then told to rise, when the clerk asked him what he had to say why the judgment of the law should not be pronounced upon him, to which he replied nothing.

The court then, addressing the unfortunate man, pronounced the following

SENTENCE.

John Hackett, you were indicted for the murder of John Green, by stabbing him in the left breast with a knife. You were tried upon the indictment, and after great deliberation, the jury found you guilty of murder in the first degree, the punishment for which is death. You had able counsel to see that you were legally and fairly tried, and to present the case made by the evidence to the jury, most favorably for you. The evidence did not leave a doubt that you were the person who stabbed John Green on the night of the 2d of September last, on the sidewalk in Second-avenue, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third streets, at or near his and your own door; and I do not see how the jury could avoid coming to the conclusion from the evidence, that when you so stabbed John Green, you intended to kill him. John Green died on the 7th of September. It appeared from the evidence that when John Green was stabbed, he was probably suffering from a disease which would sooner or later have been fatal, had he not been stabbed by you. Your counsel ably and ingeniously urged before the jury that John Green died of the disease, and not of the stab-wound. The jury found that the stab-wound accelerated his death; that he died on the 7th of September of the stab-wound. I do not think the evidence in the case left a reasonable doubt that John Green died of the stab-wound. I do not see that the evidence would permit the jury to do otherwise than render the verdict they did render. But the jury in rendering their verdict, recommended you to mercy. This recommendation to mercy, you must understand, is to be considered as addressed to the Governor, and not to the Judge. Your gray hairs, your wife and children will certainly plead eloquently to the Governor for mercy, and though the evidence did not show the least justification for your crime, it did tend to show that you probably committed the crime in the heat of passion. But the recommendation of the jury to mercy cannot stay your sentence on their verdict. May you, in the meantime, by calm consideration and an undoubting, hopeful faith, prepare yourself for the execution of this awful sentence. The judgment of the court is, that you, John Hackett, for the murder and felony whereof you stand convicted, be taken hence to the City Prison, of the City of New-York, from whence you came, to be safely kept and detained until Friday, the 9th day of February next, and on said last mentioned day you be hanged by the neck until you are dead.

The death-warrant was then read to the Sheriff, who departed with the prisoner.

Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—DEC. 20.

By Justice Leonard.

Susan A. Williams *vs.* Edwin Williams; referred back to referee for further proofs. Regina Kaufman *vs.* Charles Breusing, *et al.*; issues settled.

Court of General Sessions.

Before Judge Russel.

ATTEMPT TO ROB.

The first case tried was that of Henry Hogan, jointly indicted with Peter Mulligan, for attempting to rob James Monroe on the 24th of November. It appeared that at about 2 o'clock on the morning of the day aforesaid, the complainant entered the premises corner of Eigth-avenue and Nineteenth-street, where the prisoners were, and who asked him if he were a Fenian, to which inquiry he replied in the negative. They then placed a handkerchief over his mouth and tried to take off his coat, but two officers hearing his cries rushed in and arrested the rascals. The jury found the prisoner guilty of an assault with the intent to rob, and he was remanded for sentence.

STEALING STOCKINGS.

William Moore and Grove Riley were placed on trial for stealing twelve dozen pairs of stockings from No. 331 Canal-street. The evidence showed that the goods were outside the door and missed about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. On information from an officer, a clerk went to No. 31 Mercer-street, and found the stolen property. One of the prisoners had tried to dispose of part of the goods at a nominal price to a person in Greene-street, saying they were bought at auction very cheap. Moore, when arrested, confessed the stealing to the officer having him in custody, which was conclusive as to his guilt, and the jury so finding, he was sent to the State prison for five years. Riley was acquitted, the evidence against him being insufficient.

PLEADED GUILTY.

Adam Mitzkamiski, of an attempt at grand larceny, committed the 16th of September, in stealing a coat belonging to Jacob Faeger; remanded for sentence. Margaret Dempsey, of an attempt at grand larceny, committed the 4th of December, in stealing $185 from Michael Sullivan; sent to the State Prison two years. James Kayle, of an attempt at grand larceny, committed the 6th of December, in stealing $200 from William Duty; sent to the State Prison two years. Frank Brown and Harry Hinton, of burglary in the third degree, committed the 28th of November upon the premises of Michael Bottle; sent to the State Prison two years and six months. John Collins, of an attempt at grand larceny, committed the 25th of November, in stealing $65 worth of clothing from Joseph Carpenter; sent to the State Prison two years. Catharine Ranger, of an attempt at grand larceny, committed the 1st of December, in stealing $200 from Francis Schiller; Penitentiary six months. Thomas Lyons and Patrick Sweeney, of an attempt at burglary in the third degree, committed the 19th of November, in entering the store of Justus Haerle; sent to the State Prison three years and six months. Michael Eis, of assaulting Frank Bersing, with intent to do bodily harm, the 13th of November; sent to the City Prison thirty days. William Ames, of assaulting William Kurrz with a dangerous weapon, the 29th of August: remanded for sentence. John Vigna, of assaulting Marcus Harbett, with intent to do bodily harm, the 19th of May; remanded for sentence. Charles Viney, of assaulting John Milvihill, with intent to do bodily harm, the 18th of November: fined $50.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Before Justice Dowling.

DIAMOND CUT DIAMOND.

Mr. Abia A. Selvor, a well-to-do gentleman of this city, and residing with his family at the Metropolitan Hotel, made a complaint against Wm. H. Borst, living at No. 27 Madison-avenue, for assault and battery, and the accused was arrested by Capt. Jourdan, of the Sixth Precinct. On being arraigned Mr. Borst demanded an examination, and he was, therefore, held to bail in $1,000 to answer. What makes this case peculiar, is that Mr. Selvor was arrested on the 3d inst., on a similar charge preferred by Borst, and brought up before Justice Shandley, of the Essex Market Police Court, but the complaint was subsequently withdrawn. Mr. Selvor's statement is, that on the 2d inst., while sitting with his family in the Hoffman House, where he was then stopping, the card of Mr. Borst was brought to him. He directed the servant to show the visitor into a parlor, which was accordingly done. On going into the room Mr. Selvor saw Mr. Borst and another gentleman both parties being total strangers to him. Soon after both the visitors commenced to abuse him, when he requested them to leave the house, as he wished to have no altercation with them. The two men then knocked him down, and escaped. Hence the counter complaint.

STEALING A HORSE AND WAGON.

Mr. Thomas Knell, living on the corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and Fifth-street, on the 1st inst., left his horse and wagon, valued at $700, standing in front of No. 44 Catharine-street. During his absence on business some unknown person got into the wagon, and drove off. Search was made, without success, until the present week, when the owner of the missing property learned that his horse and wagon were in the stable of Patrick Devlin, a hackman, residing at No. 45 Greenwich-street, and so recovered the same. Devlin was yesterday arrested, and committed for trial.

A FAITHLESS CARMAN.

Mr. Charles J. Warren, of No. 4 Front-street, employed Wm. Brown, a colored carman, to convey seven barrels of flour to No. 64 Fourth-avenue. Instead of fulfilling his contract, Brown sold his load and pocketed the proceeds. He was arrested yesterday and committed for trial. Brown lives at No. 64 Crosby-street.

BURGLARY.

A complaint was made yesterday by Mr. Adolphus Glanz, of No. 194 William-street, against Theodore Schultz for burglary, and the accused was arrested by Officer Keenan, of the Fourteenth Precinct. It appears that on the night of the 12th instant Mr. Glanz's premises were entered by burglars, and a quantity of furs taken of the value of $300. Subsequently Schultz was found endeavoring to dispose of the stolen goods. The prisoner was committed for trial.

Essex Market—Before Justice Mansfield.

A COUPLE OF SWINDLING BOARDING-HOUSE KEEPERS.

Nicholas Greills, a sailor, went on the evening of Dec. 18, to the sailors' boarding-house, No. 186 Cherry-street, kept by Patrick Cosgrove, and engaged lodgings for the night. Before retiring, Nicholas deposited, in the presence of witnesses, one hundred dollars, in the hands of the proprietor, for safe keeping. On rising yesterday morning, he demanded his money, when Cosgrove very cooly denied having received any from his lodger. Patrick was arrested by Officer Hodgson, of the Court Squad, and the prisoner was locked up for examination....Charles Schaible, a returned soldier, residing at No. 22 Broome-street, Newark, N. J., who had just come down from Hart's Island, went on the 14th inst to the boarding-house kept by Lewis Reibel, No. 63 Greenwich-street, and engaged a room. Previous to going up stairs Reibel very considerately told his guest that he had better leave with him any money or valuables he might have in his possession. Thereupon Schaible deposited his knapsack and $170 with Reibel. On asking for the money he was informed by the proprietor that it all had been spent the previous evening for his (Schaible's) benefit. Not seeing his way clear Charles caused Reibel's arrest by Detective Tilla, of the Third Precinct, yesterday, and the prisoner was committed for examination.

Pennsylvania State Treasury.—The receipts of the State Treasurer for the year ending Nov. 30, 1865 were $6,219,989 67, and the expenditures $5,788,528 16, although in the latter sum a payment of $1,903,848 88, for the redemption of the State debt, and of about $380,000 for military expenses, growing out of the war, were included. A balance of $2,373,668 14 of available funds, and of $41,032 in depreciated funds was left in the treasury on the 30th November.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Dec. 20, 1865.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81...C.	107⅞	50 Am. Exchange Bk.	108
1,500 U.S. 6s,5-20s.C.'62		50 do	109
Small	102½	10 Fourth Nat. Bank..	99
3,000 do	103⅜	20 Penn. Coal Co.	170
14,500 do	103½	500 Cumb. Coal Pr.	44⅛
5,000 U.S.6s,5-20s.R.'65	100¾	700 Spring M. Coal	58
33,000 U.S.6s,5-20s.C.'65	100⅜	33 West. U. Teleg'h	51¼
1,000 U. S.5s,10-40s..C.	92¼	100 Quick. Min. Co.	45
1,800 Tr. Notes, 73-10s.		350 do	44⅛
First Ser...S'll	97⅛	1000 do....2d call.c	44½
5,000 do	97⅞	200 Ashb'n Coal....b30	16⅛
1,300 do..2d Ser.S'l	97¾	100 Schuylkill Coal	14
5,000 do	97⅞	100 do	13⅞
10,500 do	97¾	35 N. Y. Cen. R.	96⅜
9,000 do..Th'd Ser.	97⅝	400 do	96¾
600 do......Small	97⅞	1300 Erie Railroad	95½
2,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr.Cer.		600 do....b10	95⅜
New Issue	97¾	300 do....s15	94⅞
6,000 Virginia 6s	67	500 do....s30	94⅜
2,000 N. Car. 6s	84	200 do....s30	94½
1,000 Mo. 6s, issued to		700 Reading R.	107½
Pacific R.	79	1600 do	107⅜
15,000 Missouri 6s	77¾	100 Mich. Cen. R	115⅜
6,000 do	77½	600 Mich. S. & N. I.	76½
20,000 do	78	100 do....b5	76⅜
20,000 do....b60	78⅛	200 do....b10	76¾
500 Cal. 7s	119⅜	22 Ill. Cen. R.	132
40,000 O. & M. Cer.	29⅜	500 do	133
10,000 do....b15	29⅜	42 Mich. So. Guar.	140½
40,000 do	29¼	400 Cleve. & Pitts	88½
3,000 Erie 4th M.	97	400 do	88⅜
7,000 Ohio & Miss. 1st.	83	1200 do	88½
3,600 B.,N.Y.& E.1stM	93	20 Cleve.,Col.& Cin.R.	125
3,000 do	93½	300 Chic. & N. W	37
3,000 Harlem 1st M.	98½	800 do....c	36⅞
7,000 Chi.& N.W.1stM.	82½	200 do....b10	37
1,000 Tol. & Wab. 2d..	75	1000 Chi. & N.W.Pr	62⅛
2,000 To.&W.1stM.Ex.	92	200 Cleve. & Tol. R.	113
1,000 Mich. C. 8s, New		50 Chi. & R. I	108
Loan	111	25 C., Bur. & Quin.	113⅛
10,000 P.,Ft.W.&Ch.1st	103	13 do	113
10,000 Am. Gold......c	146⅞	50 New-Jersey Cen.	120⅛
10,000 do....s30	146¼	250 Mar. & Cin. 2d Pr.	30
20,000 do....s30	146	12 Coney Isl. R.	55
76 Cen. National B'k..	106		

1 O'CLOCK BOARD.

$1,000 U S.6s,5-20s.C.'62	103	600 M. S. & N. I.	75⅞
10,000 U. S.6s,5-20s.C.'64	100½	100 do....b10	75⅜
5,000 Tr. Notes.-7 3-10s.		200 do	75½
Second Ser.	97⅝	400 do....s30	75½
10,000 N. Car. 6s	85	200 do....b10	75⅜
3,000 Missouri 6s	77¾	1000 Cleve. & Pitts	88
10,000 O. & Miss. Cer.	29	400 do	87⅞
200 Quick. Min. Co	43	200 Reading R.	107
100 do....s60	43	100 Chi. & N. W.	36⅛
60 West. Union Tel...	52¼	400 do	36⅛
300 New-York Cen.	96	300 C. & N. W. Pref	62
100 do	95⅞	300 do....s15	62
1300 Erie Railroad	94⅞	400 Cleve. & Tol.	113⅝
200 do....s10	94⅜	200 do	113⅞
400 do	94⅝	100 do	114
600 do....s30	93½	200 do....s30	113⅝
400 do	94⅜	100 Chi. & R. I.	107⅛
200 Hud. Riv. R.	109		

2½ O'CLOCK BOARD.

$2,000 U. S. 6s, '81....C.	107½	1500 Erie Railroad....c	95½
5,000 do	107⅜	100 do....c	95⅜
10,000 U.S.6s.5-20s.C.'62	103½	500 do....c	95
6,000 U.S.6s,5-20s.C.'65	100⅜	100 do....c	94⅞
10,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40s.C.	92⅜	2000 do	94⅞
35,000 Tr.Notes, 73-10s.		100 do....s20	94
First Series	98	80 Erie R. Pref.	86
5,500 do...Sec. Ser.	97⅝	400 Cleve. & Pitts	87⅜
10,000 O. & M. C.	29	300 do	87⅜
100 Quick. Min. Co.	43½	100 Chic. & N. W	36⅜
500 N. Y. Cen. R.	95¾	500 do	36
700 do....s15	95¾	400 do....s10	36
1000 do	95⅞	300 Chi. & N. W. Pr	61⅜
100 do....s30	95⅜	100 do....s30	61⅜
200 Mich. S. & N. I.	75⅜	100 do....b30	62
500 do	75⅝	50 Tol., Wab. & W	43
100 Hud. Riv. R.	108¾		

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81..C.	107⅞	300 M. So. & N. I	76⅜
20,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s..C		100 do....c	76⅜
Old Issue	103¾	100 do....s3	76⅛
5,000 Ohio & M. Cer...	29⅜	100 do....b3	76⅜
100 Canton Co.	45⅞	100 do	76⅜
100 Schuylkill Coal	14⅛	100 do....s3	76⅜
400 do....b5	14	200 do....c	76⅜
200 do	14	1000 do....b30	76½
500 do....b5	14	400 do....b3	76⅜
100 Quick. Min. Co.	43	200 do	76⅛
100 New-York Cen....c	96⅛	200 Cleve. & Pitts..x-d	88½
200 do....b3	96⅜	200 do	88⅜
600 do	96½	200 do	88⅜
400 do....b3	96½	600 do....s3	88⅜
400 Erie Railroad...b3	95¼	700 do....b3	88⅞
400 do....c	95¼	700 do	88⅞
500 do....s3	95¼	100 do....b3	89
500 do....c	95⅛	6300 do	89
300 do....s3	95⅛	600 do	89⅛
600 do	95¼	200 do....c	89
100 do....b10	95¾	400 do....s3	89
500 do....b30	95¾	600 do	88⅞
100 Reading R....x-d	107⅝	1000 do....c	88⅞
200 do	107½	100 Chic. & N. W	36⅝
100 Chi. & R. I....b3	108	100 do	36⅝
100 do....b3	108		

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

$10,000 O. & M. Cer...	28⅞	100 Reading R..x-d.s3	106⅞
10,000 do....s3	28¾	400 do	106⅞
200 Canton Co.	45½	900 do	106⅜
100 Cum. Coal....s3	44	700 do....s3	106⅜
1900 Mariposa M. Co...	14⅜	200 do....b3	106⅜
300 do....s3	14¾	200 do....b30	107
200 do	14⅞	900 Mich. S. & N. I..	75⅜
100 N. Y. Central....s3	96	400 do....b3	75⅜
200 do....c	96	100 do....s10	75⅜
1000 do	96	400 Cleve. & Pitts..x-d	87⅛
800 do....s3	95⅞	1700 do....b3	87⅜
500 do....b3	96	800 do....s3	87⅜
100 do....b30	96	100 do	87⅜
100 do	95⅞	200 do....s3	87⅜
800 Erie Railway	94⅝	100 Chic. & R. I	107⅞
200 do....c	94⅝	100 Ch. & N. W.	36½
200 do....b3	94¾	100 do....c	36⅛
300 do....s3	94½	100 do....s3	36⅛
700 do....b3	94⅜	200 do....b3	36⅜
600 do....s5	94½	300 do	36⅜
300 do....c	94¾	200 do....s3	36⅜
200 do....s3	94⅝	200 Chi. & N. W. Pr	62
100 Hud. R. R....s3	108½	500 do	61⅞
200 Cleve. & Tol	113½	100 P., Ft. W. & C	105⅜

OPEN BOARD—3 P. M.

100 Schuylkill Coal	13⅝	200 Rutland Marble	18
100 Mar. Min. Co.	14¾	200 M. So. & N. I. R.	75½
100 do....b3	14⅞	500 do	75⅜
100 N. Y. Central	95¾	200 do....s3	75⅜
1000 do....b3	95¾	400 do....s5	75⅜
200 do....s3	95⅝	300 do....b3	75⅜
100 do....b3	95⅝	2100 Cleve. & Pitts.x-d	87⅛
5800 Erie Railroad	95	1600 do	87⅛
3800 do....s3	94⅞	500 do....s60	86
300 do....sny	90	1000 do....b20	87½
2200 do....b3	95	300 Cleve. & Tol	114
100 do....b30	95	200 do....b3	114
200 Reading R....x-d	106¾	400 do	114⅛
200 do....b3	106⅜	500 Chi. & N. W.	35⅞
600 do	106⅜	200 do....b3	37⅞
1000 do....s3	106¾	1000 do....b3	36
1000 do....s3	106⅜	100 do....s3	35⅞

Wednesday, Dec. 20—P. M.

The market for Gold was weaker than yesterday by ⅜@½ ℘ cent., partly on account of the dull appearance of Exchange at the close of the Boston packet last evening. The sales were 146⅞@⅝@½ ℘ cent., and Bills on London were 109⅝ for standard drawers, and 109¼@109 for transient Bank and first-class Merchant Bills. The amount offering of Southern Exchange made against Cotton from New-Orleans, Mobile, &c., is larger than last week, and the direct exports of Produce from New-York foot up about five and a half millions this week. Another arrival from California, via Aspinwall, the *Henry Chauncey*, brings $885,852 in Gold bars and Coin this afternoon. The present through trip of the Pacific Mail Company from San Francisco to New-York in twenty days is unusually prompt. The ordinary time has been from twenty-two to twenty-five days.

There is a quiet and easy state of things in the Money Market, so far as the Stock Brokers are concerned, at 6@7 ℘ cent. The Discount Brokers report a moderate demand for first-class paper at 7@9 ℘ cent. The purchases of United States Securities were not so large to-day as on Monday or Tuesday, though the rates for both Gold-bearing Stocks and the 7.30 ℘ cents. were fairly supported through the forenoon. At the Second regular Board the old 5-20s yielded ¼@⅜ ℘ cent., while the new 5-20s were firm, and the 7.30 ℘ cents. steady. The first series of the latter brought 98, and the third series 97⅝ ℘ cent.

The Railway speculation opened with less buoyancy than it closed last night; there was less business doing, and prices gave way on most of the New-York and Western Roads ¼@½ ℘ cent., until about 1 o'clock, when there was a cash demand for Erie Shares, on account of the comparative scarcity of the Stock for delivery. At the 2:30 P. M. Board some considerable cash purchases were made, under the rule, to cover the deliveries of the day which had not been made in due course. The prices paid were 95¼@⅛@95@94⅞ ℘ cent. After these transactions the Stock returned to 94⅞@94⅝ ℘ cent. cash, and 93½ seller 30 days. The Western Stocks were generally weaker at the close of the day, and the following general quotations were made at 4 o'clock as compared with Tuesday afternoon. The Railway speculation left off irregular. Erie stiffened up to 94⅞@95 ℘ cent., with large transactions.

Pittsburgh and most of the other Western Roads were dull and lower. There was some feeling manifested on the dealings in Erie, on account of the non-delivery of the Stock, within the rule, and the purchases made at the Board in settlement:

	Tu.	Wed.		Tu.	Wed.
U. S. 10-40s	92½	92⅜	Northwest	36⅜	35⅞
U. S. 6-20s	103½	103½	N. West Pref	62⅛	61⅝
U. S. 7-30s	98⅛	98	Rock Island	108⅛	107½
N. Y. Central	96⅜	95½	Fort Wayne	106	105½
Erie	95	95	Cumb'land Coal	44¼	44
Hudson	109¼	109	Quicksilver	41⅞	43¼
Reading	107⅝	106⅝	Mariposa	14⅜	14⅜
Mich. Southern	76¼	75⅝	Canton	45½	45¼
Illinois Central	134	134	Ohio Certificates	29	28¾
Pittsburgh	89	87⅝	American Gold	146⅜	146⅛
Prairie du Chien	96	95	Bills on London	109⅛	109⅛

The North River Bank has declared a half-yearly Dividend of *six* ⅌ cent. The following bids were made for the City Bank Shares:

New-York	116	Hanover	110
Merchants'	110	Irving	108
Union	115	Metropolitan	119
North River	120	People's	112
Tradesmen's	125	Market	110
Leather Manufact's	175	Shoe and Leather	104
State of New-York	102	Corn Exchange	111
Commerce	108	St. Nicholas	100
Mechanics' B'k Ass.	100	Commonwealth	104
Broadway	225	Atlantic	101
Ocean	90	Importers' & Traders'	100
American Exchange	109	N.Y. National Exc. Bk.	121
Pacific	160	Central National	105½
Chatham	135	First National	205
Bank of the Republic	109	Fourth National	98½

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	91¼	Chi. & N. W. 1st M.	92
N. Y. Cen. 7s, 1876	102	Han. & St. Jos. L. G.	95½
Erie 7s, 3d mort., '83	96	Han. & St. Jos. Con.	75
Erie 7s, 4th mort., 1880	101½	Del. L. & W. 1st M.	102
Erie 7s, 5th mort., 1888	94	Del. L. & W. 2d M.	102
Buf. N. Y. & E. 1st M. '77	93¼	Tol. & Wab. 1st M. Ex	92
Hud. R. 7s, 2ds, S. F. '85	100	Tol. & Wab. 2d M.	74½
Hud. R. 7s, 3d M '75	93	Mil. & Pr. du Ch. 1st M.	101
Hud. R. 7s, conv., '67	93	Gal. & Chic. Ext.	100
Harlem 1st mort., '69-72.	98	Chi. & R. I. 1st mort.	101
Harlem 2ds, '68	90	Cleve. & Tol. S. Fund	98
Mich. Cen. 8 p. c. '69-72.	110	N. J. Central 1st M.	101
Mich. C. n. w. 1sts, 8s, '82.	110	N. J. Central 2d M.	101
Chi., B. & Q. 8 ⅌ c. 1sts.	110	Rar. & Del. Bay 1st M.	100
Mich. So. 7 ⅌ c. 2ds	88	Rar. & Del. Bay 2d M.	95
N. Ind. Gosh. Line '68	93	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 1st M	96
Mich. S. & N. I. S. F. 7 ⅌ c.	92	Miss. & Mo. L. G. 1st M.	48
Ill. Cen. 7 p. c. 1875	100	Chi. & Alton Inc.	85¼
Alton & T. H. 1st M.	90	Ohio & Miss. 1st mort.	82
Alton & T. H. 2d M. pr.	78	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M.	85
Alton & T. H. 2d M. in.	73	Mil. & St. Paul Inc.	72
Chi. & N. W. Int B.	80	Chic. & Mil. 1st M.	85
Chi. & N. W. Ex. B.	78	Joliet & Chic. 1st mort.	95

The day's business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States was as follows: Receipts, $1,839,426 08—including for Customs, $337,000; on account of Loan, $475,000; Coin certificates, $451,240. Payments, $1,414,978 33. Balance, $78,217,958 11.

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GENERAL MARKETS.

New-York, Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1865.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been 16 bbls. Ashes, 10,672 bbls. Flour, 381 bags Corn Meal, 475 bushels Wheat, 930 bushels Corn, 2,400 bushels Oats, 103 bbls. Pork, 84 pkgs. Cut Meats, 718 pkgs. Lard, 130 bbls. Beef, and 84 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Continue dull and unsettled. Pots, $10; Pearls, $11@$11 25 ⅌ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Is in demand and steady, including Java at 28c.@29c.; Maracaibo at 20c.@23½c.; Laguayra at 20c.@23c.; Rio at 17½c.@20½c.; Native Ceylon, 24c.@25c., and St. Domingo at 17¾c.@18½c., cash, in gold, ⅌ lb. Sales included an invoice of Rio.

COTTON—Is in fair demand and on the advance. Middlings closed buoyantly at 50c.@52c. ⅌ lb., on sales and resales, since our last, of 5,800 bales. The receipts at this port since the 1st of December have been 77,049 bales, making 391,769 bales since the commencement of the current Cotton year, Sept. 1, 1865.

DRY GOODS—The Dry Goods Exchange report to-day is as follows: *Jobbers' Prices.*—Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 33½c.; Newmarket A, 31c.; Newmarket H, 27½c.; Laconia B, 30c.; Indian Orchard B B, 29c. Bleached Shirtings—Bates X X, 42½c.; James's Mills, 4-4, 40c.; James's Mills 35 inch, 32½c.; Hill 4-4, 40c.; Hill 7-8, 36c. Prints—Merrimack W, 27c.; Merrimack D, 26c.; Sprague light style, 26c.; Allen's new style, 24c.; Amoskeag, 22½c.; Victory, 21½c. Delaines—Armures, 31c.; Pacific, 29c.; Manchester, 29c. Brown Drills—Bennington, 35c.; Stark H, 31½c. Corset Jeans—Pepperell, 46c.; Laconia, 37½c. Canton Flannels—Naumkeag, 37½c.; Nashua A, 27½c. Ticks—Methuen A A, 62½c.; Hampton C C, 37½c. Stripes—Whittenton A A, 55c.; Whittenton B B, 35c.; Whittenton C, 33c. Hoop Skirts—Bradley's Duplex Elliptic, and Empress Trail, 20c.@50c., in active demand; Meyer's I X L, narrow tapes, 52c@85c.; wide tapes, 65c.@$1 10. The following dispatches were received at the Dry Goods Exchange to-day: St. Louis—No change in prices, but little doing. Philadelphia—Cotton goods more active, and prices tending upward; woolens steady. Cincinnati—We are enjoying very disagreeable weather; snow and rain in alternation. Trade very quiet.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been in more demand, to-day, especially toward the close. Sound shipping brands have been held firmly, while unsound and inferior lots have been quoted easier and very irregular. Medium and high grades have been quoted steady. Sales since our last 15,000 bbls., including very inferior to choice Superfine State and Western at $7@$7 50; very inferior to choice Extra State at $7 90@$8 50, chiefly at $8@$8 20; round-hoop Extra Ohio, inferior to good shipping brands, at $8 45@$8 90 ⅌ bbl. We now quote:

Superfine State and Western	$7 00	@$7 50
Extra State	7 90	@ 8 50
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	8 05	@11 00
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, ship'g brands	8 45	@ 8 90
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands	9 00	@11 50
Extra Genesee	8 60	@11 50
Poor to very choice extra Missouri	9 00	@15 50

Southern Flour is dull to-day; sales since our last 550 bbls. in lots at $8 75@$9 75 for poor to good, and $9 80@$15 for good to very choice extra brands, ⅌ bbl. Canadian Flour continues inactive; sales 300 bbls. Extra at $8 05@$11 25 ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour continues dull, including Superfine at $5 50@$6 50 ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is in moderate demand at $4 20@$4 30 for Western, $4 25 for Jersey, $4 50 for Marsh's Caloric, and $4 50@$4 60 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl.; sales 125 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has attracted more attention and been quoted firm. Sales, since our last, 73,000 bushels, including White Canada at $2 45; White Michigan at $2 60; very choice New Amber Spring at $1 90; Old do. at $1 83@$1 85; unsound to very good Chicago Spring and Milwaukee Club at $1 60@1 83; White Genesee at $2 65; New Red do. on private terms per bushel. Corn has been rather quiet at easier prices. Sales, 55,000 bushels at 88c.@94c. for unsound and 95c.@95½c. for sound Mixed Western, 96c. for Yellow Western, and 98c. for White Southern per bushel. Rye has been inactive; 1,000 bushels very common State sold at $1 03 per bushel. Barley is doing better; 7,000 bushels Canada West, very prime, changed hands at $1 25 per bushel. Oats are inactive and heavy. We quote: State at 62c.@62½c.; Old Western at 59c.@62c.; and unsound at 48c.@53c. ⅌ bushel.

HAY—North River bale continues in fair demand at 70c.@90c. for poor to choice, ⅌ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Are in fair request and buoyant at 25c.@65c. for new, and 10c.@45c. for one year old, ⅌ lb.

LUMBER—Has been in moderate demand at irregular prices.

MOLASSES—Continues very quiet at unchanged quotations, including Porto Rico at 55c.@80c., and Cuba at 38c.@55c. ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Rule dull and heavy, including Spirits Turpentine at $1 05@$1 10 ⅌ gallon. Crude do. at $8@$8 25. Resin at $6 50@$20 ⅌ 280 lbs.

OILS—Continue quiet and depressed, including Crude Whale at $1 58@$1 60; Bleached do. at $1 65@$1 70; Crude Sperm at $2 45@$2 50; Unbleached do. at $2 60@$2 65; Lard Oil at $1 95@$2 10; Red Oil at $1@$1 10; Linseed Oil at $1 44@$1 45; Olive, $1 80@$1 85, ⅌ gallon.

PETROLEUM—Has been in less demand at 41½c.@42c. for Crude; 66c @67c. for Refined in bond; and 85c.@86c. for do. free, ⅌ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been moderately dealt in, chiefly by speculative operators, at somewhat firmer prices, the market, however, closing heavily. Sales since our last of 6,400 bbls., in lots, at $27 87½@$28 25, closing at $28, regular, for Mess; $23 50@$24, for Prime Mess; $30@$30 50 for new Mess; and $23 50@$24 (nominally) for new Prime, ⅌ bbl. Sales were also made of 1,000 bbls. New Mess, February delivery, sellers' option, part at $27 30 ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats are in limited demand at 11c.@13c. for Shoulders, and 13c.@16c. for Hams; sales 225 pkgs. Bacon has been quiet and heavy. Sales 326 boxes, part Cumberland Cut, at 14½c.; long rib 14⅜c.; long clear, and long cut hams on private terms. Dressed Hogs have been quiet and depressed at 13c.@13½c. ⅌ lb. Lard favors buyers. Sales 700 tcs. and bbls. at 15c.@19c., (the latter a fancy price,) for common to choice, ⅌ lb.; also, (reported) 850 tcs. for January and February delivery, sellers' option, at 16½c.@17½c. ⅌ lb. Beef continues in limited demand at $14@$17 for Extra Mess, and $11@$14 for Plain Mess; also, $17@$20 for New Plain Mess, and $22@$24 for New Extra do. Sales have been reported of 500 bbls. Tierce Beef has been quiet to-day; sales 125 tcs. Prime Mess, part at about $35. The range is quoted at $35@$38 for Prime Mess, and $40@$43 for India Mess. Beef Hams are in moderate request; 150 bbls. State and Western were sold at $32@$34 50 ⅌ bbl. Butter is quiet and heavy at 30c.@43c. for poor to prime, and 45c.@55c. for fancy to extra State, and 25c.@38c. for Western, ⅌ lb. Cheese continues quiet at 14c.@19c. for poor to choice ⅌ lb. We quote:

Butter.

Orange and Sussex—fresh pails, ⅌ lb	48	@55
Pennsylvania and River—fresh pails, ⅌ lb	40	@55
Half-firkin tubs—first quality, ⅌ lb	43	@45
Half-firkin tubs—second quality, ⅌ lb	38	@40
Orange and Sussex Dairies—firkins, ⅌ lb	43	@45
New-York State Dairies—firkins—extra, ⅌ lb	40	@43
N. Y. State Dairies—firkins—good to fine, ⅌ lb	38	@40
N. Y. State Dairies—Welch tubs—extra, ⅌ lb	40	@43
N. Y. S. Dairies—Welch tubs—good to fine, ⅌ lb	38	@40
Ordinary State—Welch tubs, ⅌ lb	33	@37
Pennsylvania Dairies—firkins—good to fine, ⅌ lb	36	@38
Western Reserve—firkins—fair to good, ⅌ lb	33	@36
Michigan and Indiana—firkins—fair to good, ⅌ lb	32	@35
Ill. and Wisconsin—firkins—fair to good, ⅌ lb	32	@35
Common Western—firkins, ⅌ lb	25	@27½
Canada Butter—good to fine, ⅌ lb	33	@37
Roll Butter—good to fine, ⅌ lb	35	@38

Cheese.

Factory-made Dairies—first quality	18¾	@19
Factory-made Dairies—second quality	17½	@18
Farm Dairies—first quality	17½	@18
Farm Dairies—second quality	16	@17
Farm Dairies—common	14	@16
Orange County—flat skimmed	15	@18

SUGARS—Have been partially neglected, to-day. Sales since our last have been confined to 130 hhds., including Cuba, &c., at 13½c.@14½c. ⅌ lb., and 1,100 boxes Havana, partly by auction, at 10½c.@14½c. Refined Sugars are quite heavy at 14½c.@18½c. ⅌ lb. Messrs. STUART now offer their Refined Sugars thus: Best Crushed, 18½c.; Granulated, 18½c.; Ground, 18½c.; White, 17½c.; Yellow, 16½c., cash, ⅌ lb.

STEARINE—Sales since our last 28,000 lbs. at 14½c.@17c. ⅌ lb.

TALLOW—Sales to-day reach 51,000 lbs. at 13½c.@14c., and 13,000 lbs. Grease at 11c.@11½c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Sales since our last have been confined to small lots at $2 31@$2 32 ⅌ gallon. Market quite flat.

FREIGHTS—Have been more active to-day. For Liverpool, the engagements included 800 bales Cotton, at ⅝d.@7-16d. by sailing vessel and ½d. by steamer; 16,000 bushels Corn, at 5d.@6d.; 80 hhds. Tobacco, at 35s.; and 500 tcs. Lard, by steamer, at 25s.; also, a brig, with Petroleum, on private terms. For London, 28,000 bushels Corn, at 5d. by sailing vessel and 7d. by steamer; 8,000 bushels Oats on private terms. For Glasgow, 500 bbls. Flour, at 2s. 1½d. For Antwerp, 50 tons Provisions, at 22s. 6d. For Bremen, 200 bales Cotton at ¾c., and 120 hhds. Tobacco, at 25s.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

[OFFICIAL.]

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, Dec. 19, 1865—1 o'clock P. M.

Present—Aldermen Moore, Flynn, Van Voorhis.

The President being absent at roll call, on motion of Alderman Flynn, Alderman Van Voorhis was called to the chair.

The roll having been called and a quorum not appearing, the President pro tem. announced that the board stood adjourned without date.

D. T. VALENTINE, Clerk.

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

SPECIAL SESSION.

TUESDAY, Dec. 19, 1865—3 o'clock P. M.

The board met in their chamber, number sixteen City Hall, pursuant to the following call:

NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

James Hayes, Esq., President of the Board of Councilmen:

SIR: You are respectfully requested to convene the Board of Councilmen on Tuesday, December nineteen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at three P. M., for the purpose of transacting such business as may come before said board.

Very respectfully,
THOMAS BRADY,
VALENTINE COOK,
J. WILSON GREEN,
EDWIN M. HAGERTY,
DAVID FITZGERALD,
JOHN HEALY,
ISAAC ROBINSON,
GEORGE McGRATH,
CHAS. KOSTER,
PATRICK RUSSELL,
PATRICK H. KEENAN,
WILLIAM JOYCE,
THOMAS O'CALLAGHAN,
JOHN HOUGHTALIN,
JOHN STACOM,
BERNARD KENNEY.

Present—James Hayes, Esq., President, in the chair, and the following members:

Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

The minutes of the meeting held December fourteen, fifteen and sixteen were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Councilman Russell—

Petition of Stephen Whitehorn to be appointed a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Councilman Keenan—

Resolved, That the name of Isaac Burnstein, of number seven New Canal-street, be placed upon the list of blind persons who are to receive the sum of fifty dollars.

Which was referred to the Comptroller, with power.

By Councilman Joyce—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given Michael O'Hara to erect a stand for the sale of papers on the northwest corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-seventh-street, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Koster—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to D. Schafer to exhibit goods in front of his premises, number sixteen Bowery, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council, the same not to interfere with public travel.

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Messrs. Thorpe & Overins to display transparency in front of their premises on the southeast corner of Grand and Crosby streets, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Joyce—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Benjamin F. Brady, for the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, for engrossing, mounting and framing resolutions complimentary from the Board of Councilmen to their retiring President, James Hayes, Esq., and that the said amount be taken from the appropriation for City Contingencies, or any other unexpended appropriation having a balance requisite to meet the same.

Which was laid over.

By Councilman McGrath—

Whereas, In consequence of the inability or neglect of the contractors for cleaning the streets of the city to comply with the plain directions and conditions of the contract, our streets and avenues are now reeking with filth and dirt and refuse matter of every kind and nature, to the great annoyance of our citizens, and manifest danger to the health of the city; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Common Council most respectfully but earnestly call the attention of the Mayor and the City Inspector, and through them the attention of the Street Cleaning Commission, to the condition of our streets, the imminent danger to the health of our citizens, and the fearful responsibility resting upon them in permitting such flagrant violations of the street-cleaning contract—violations that may result in doing serious injury to the health of our people, and that will inevitably injuriously affect other but minor interests centered in this metropolis.

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Stacom—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Bumpte, Ockershausen & Co., to exhibit goods in front of their place of business, four hundred and sixty-four, four hundred and sixty-eight and four hundred and seventy Washington-street, the same to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Joyce—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Owen Cavanagh, for the sum of two hundred dollars, for services rendered as Clerk to the Joint Committee appointed to celebrate the Fourth of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and charge the same to the appropriation of City Contingencies.

Which was laid over.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Streets presented a report in favor of flagging the sidewalks on the southwest corner of Thirty-first-street and Eighth-avenue.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Streets presented a report in favor of flagging, &c., Forty-first-street, from Eleventh-avenue to Harlem River.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Roads presented a report in favor of regulating, &c., Forty-first-street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Roads presented a report in favor of flagging north side of Forty-second-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Roads presented a report in favor of flagging Fifth-avenue, from Forty-third to Sixtieth-street.

Which was laid over.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Councilman Houghtalin—

Resolved, That Twelfth-street, from Second to Fourth avenue, be paved with Belgian pavement, and the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS.

Councilman Russell moved that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of report of Committee on National Affairs, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Benjamin F. Brady, for the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars, in payment for rent of premises, services and other expenses attending the free exhibition of Archbishop Hughes' Memorial, the same having been done by the order of the special committee on the same, and that the said amount be taken from the appropriation for City Contingencies.

Which was carried.

And the paper was subsequently laid over.

Councilman Leavy moved that the Committee on Donations and Charities be discharged from the further consideration of resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Rev. Matthew Nicott, Pastor of the Church of St. Boniface, East Forty-seventh-street, for the sum of four hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty cents, with interest from the passage of this resolution, the same to be in payment of an assessment levied against the property of said church, for paving Second-avenue with trap-block pavement, from Forty-second to Sixty-first-street, and laying cross-walks from Forty-seventh to Seventy-ninth-street, and charge the same to account of Donations.

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

INVITATIONS.

An invitation was received from Americus Engine Company Number Six, to attend their annual reunion at the City Assembly Rooms, on Monday, December twenty-five.

Which was accepted.

An invitation was received from the ladies of the New-York Woman's Infirmary at Washington Heights, to attend a musical soiree at Dr. Cheever's Church, Union-square, on the sixteenth instant.

Which was accepted.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from the Street Commissioner, transmitting apportionment of assessment in the matter of paving Third-avenue, between Fifty-sixth and Eighty-sixth streets, as follows:

STREET COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 237 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1865.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

I herewith transmit to your Honorable Body a statement of the apportionment of assessment made by this department under Section Twenty-eight, Chapter two, Article one, of an ordinance amending an ordinance to reorganize the Street Department, approved January four, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

In the matter of Third-avenue trap-block paving between Fifty-sixth and Eighty-sixth streets.

Map No. 458, Block No. 353, Ward No. 36 A	$148
Map No. 458, Block No. 353, Ward No. 36 B	7
Map No. 459, Block No. 353, Ward No. 35 A	148
Map No. 459, Block No. 353, Ward No. 35 B	7
	$310

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES G. CORNELL,
Street Commissioner.

Which was received and ordered on file.

MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

A message was received from His Honor the Mayor, relative to resolutions relating to bay-windows, &c., as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: Your Honorable Body, I am confident, will agree with me, that a great economy, both of time and money, would be secured by passing a few general ordinances with regard to certain objects that now engross the attention of the Common Council to a larger extent than they deserve.

Among these may be mentioned resolutions making donations to blind persons, granting permissions to construct bay-windows, to occupy stands on the streets and public places, to exhibit signs and merchandise, to receive and deliver goods, and to erect awnings and shutter-boxes over or on the sidewalk.

A resolution giving permission for an apple-stand is necessarily published in all the Corporation papers, and the expenditure is out of all proportion with the trifling nature of the grant. So also, a donation of fifty dollars to a blind person, costs as much or more to advertise as the amount donated.

The enormous expense of printing and advertising each of the numerous resolutions under the above heads alone demands a reform, while the accumulation of such business excludes the due consideration of matters of greater importance.

If an appropriation of reasonable amount were devoted to the relief of the indigent blind residents of the city, the Comptroller might be authorized to superintend its distribution, without the necessity of passing a separate resolution for each individual to be benefitted.

A general ordinance applicable to bay-windows might be passed prescribing the extent of the projection and conferring on the Street Commissioner a supervisory power over their construction. Similar ordinances relative to signs, awnings and shutter-boxes, and other modes in which the sidewalk is used for private benefit, would preclude the necessity of invoking the action of the Common Council in each case where these privileges are required.

C. GODFREY GUNTHER, Mayor.

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

NOTIONS RESUMED.

Councilman Keenan moved that the Committee on Streets be discharged from the further consideration of resolution as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John J. McCabe to exhibit goods in front of his premises, numbers two hundred and fifty-eight and two hundred and sixty Bowery, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was carried.

And the resolution was adopted.

PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Horatio N. Parker, for the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars and thirty-seven cents, being for services rendered as a Commissioner of Deeds and Notary Public, in administering affidavits of firemen's exemptions, as appear by reference to the books in the office of the Clerk of the Common Council, from the year 1858 to 1864, inclusive, the amount to be charged by the Comptroller to the appropriation for City Contingencies.

Councilman Leavy moved that said resolution be referred to the Committee on Donations and Charities.

Which was lost.

Councilman Keenan moved that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Which was lost.

The resolution was then laid over.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw his warrant for the sum of eight hundred dollars in favor of Mrs. C. W. Hawkins, First Directress of the Mariners' Family Industrial Society of the Port of New-York, and charge the same to the account of Donations.

Which was laid over.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of the widow of William Fisher Weeks, monthly, for the amount of salary as Inspector of Sewer Connection, in the Croton Aqueduct Department, until his successor is appointed.

Which was laid over.

Report of Committee on Finance, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of W. P. Morrough, Treasurer of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, for the sum of one thousand eight hundred and six dollars and six cents, ($1,806 06,) to enable him to pay assessments and taxes on said property, and charge the same to the account of Donations.

Which was laid over.

Report of Committee on Finance, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to lease to the Archbishop of the Diocese of New-York, for the use of the Sisters of Mercy, all that certain piece or parcel of land bounded by Eighty-first and Eighty-second streets, Fourth and Madison avenues, not heretofore assigned or leased to the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Redeemer; the said lease to be for a period of ninety-nine (99) years, at the nominal rent of one dollar (lawful currency of the United States) per annum, upon which to erect a building for the purpose of an Industrial School, similar to that now located under their direction at the corner of Houston and Mulberry streets.

Which was laid over.

Report of Committee on Assessments, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Nathaniel M. Freeman, Clerk of the Consistory, and Treasurer of the Prospect Hill Reformed Dutch Church, for the sum of four hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty-six cents, to be applied by said Freeman to the payment of an assessment upon the property of said church, for regulating and grading Third-avenue, from Eighty-sixth-street to One Hundred and Tenth-street, together with the interest that may have accrued since the confirmation of said assessment, and charge the same to the account of Donations.

Which was referred to the Committee on Donations and Charities.

Resolved, That the name of Rose Mulhearn, number one hundred and twenty-five Willett-street, be placed on the list of blind persons for the donation of fifty dollars.

(By Board of Alderman, December fifteen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, referred to the Comptroller, with power.)

Which was concurred in.

And the same was directed to be sent to His Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to Kraft Brothers to keep a show-case on sidewalk in front of their premises, number two hundred Third-avenue.

Which was concurred in.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Councilman Houghtalin called up General Order three hundred and fifty, being a report (from the Board of Aldermen) of the Joint Special Committee on National Affairs, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he hereby is authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Alexander Brandon for the sum of sixteen hundred and fifty (1,650) dollars, being at the rate of twenty-five dollars per regiment, for expenses of cartage, express charges and shipping, together with materials and labor, used in forwarding sixty-six (66) stands of colors to the various city regiments engaged in the suppression of the rebellion; such amount being in accordance with an agreement made between the Committee on National Affairs of the Common Council and Mr. Brandon; and the Comptroller is further authorized and directed to pay the same from the appropriation for City Contingencies, or any other appropriate account.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—20.

Negative—Councilman Brinkman—1.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Thirty-sixth-street, from Second-avenue to the East River, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Forty-sixth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of concurring with Board of Aldermen in adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Cedar-street, between Broadway and William-street, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and the accompanying ordinance therefor adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Thirty-fourth-street, from Third-avenue to East River, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Seventy-seventh-street, between the Eighth and Ninth avenues, be regulated and graded, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide, through the middle of the same, and the curb and gutter stones set therein, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Water-street, from Old Slip to Coenties Slip, be paved with Belgian Pavement, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote.

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Fifty-fourth-street, between First and Second avenues, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks on First-avenue, from Thirty-seventh to Thirty-ninth streets, be flagged a space four feet wide and curb and gutter stones placed therein, where not already done, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks of both sides of Fifty-first-street, between Lexington and Third avenues, be flagged and reflagged where necessary, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Seventy-third-street, between Third and Fourth avenues, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Donations and Charities in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Northwestern Dispensary, for the sum of five hundred dollars for the half-yearly donation, to the first of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and that he be further authorized and directed to pay to the said Treasurer of that institution five hundred dollars, on the first of October next, and to continue the semi-annual payments of five hundred dollars each, during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Finance, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Patrick Fleming, for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, as a donation for the loss of his horse from off Hubert-street, North River, and charge the same to account of "Donations and Charities."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the south side of Forty-ninth-street, between First and Second avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Sewers, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That a receiving basin and culvert be built, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, on the southeast corner of Forty-eighth-street and Second-avenue, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks flagged where necessary, in Forty-fifth-street, from Third-avenue to the East River, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twentieth-street, from Third to Sixth-avenue, be flagged a space four feet wide through the middle of the same, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks on Fifty-third-street, from Second-avenue to the East River, be flagged and reflagged, and the curb and gutter stones set and reset where necessary, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That curb and gutter stones be set and reset, and the sidewalks flagged and reflagged where necessary, in Eighty-sixth-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and the accompanying ordinance be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Francis Payntz to set curb and gutter stones and flag sidewalk in front of his property, south side of One Hundred and Nineteenth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues, said work to be done at his own expense, and under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Healy, Keenan, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenny, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Streets, in favor of adopting resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Thirtieth-street, from First to Fifth-avenue, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the taxes levied against the Church property known as the Congregation of Beth Hamedrash, situated in Allen-street, between Broome and Grand streets, for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, be and the same is hereby remitted, and the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of the trustees of said Church for the sum of seventy-three dollars and thirty-six cents, together with interest, the said sum to be applied in payment of the above-named tax, and charge the same to account of donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the assessment levied against the German Church in Forty-ninth-street, between the Tenth and Ninth avenues, for building sewer through the said street, be and the same is hereby remitted; and the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of the pastor of said Church for the sum of five hundred and thirty-two dollars and thirty two cents, together with interest from the date of the confirmation of the assessment, the said sum to be applied to cancel the above-named assessment, and charge the same to account of "Donations."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the assessment levied against the church property of the Church of the Pilgrims, situated in Forty-eighth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, for paving said street with Belgian pavement, be canceled, and that the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of the trustees of said church for the sum of one hundred and ninety four dollars and eighty-three cents, together with interest thereon from the date of the confirmation of the assessment, the said sum to be applied in canceling the above-named assessment, and charge the same to the account of "Donations."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the salary of the Regulator of Public Clocks be and hereby is increased from the sum of five hundred to eight hundred dollars per annum, to date from the passage of this resolution.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilman Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brady, Houghtalin, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—19.

Negative—Councilmen Brinkman, Leavy—2.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Matthew Bird, Treasurer, for the sum of one hundred and twenty-seven dollars and sixty-six cents, to enable him to pay an assessment against the property of Rutgers-street Church, and charge the same to account of "Donations."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Petition of the New-York Ophthalmic Hospital, for a donation of two thousand dollars, and resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Solomon Jenner, President of the Ophthalmic Hospital, for the sum of two thousand dollars, to be taken from the appropriation of Donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Rev. Matthew Nicott, Pastor of the Church of St. Boniface, East Forty-seventh-street, for the sum of four-hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty cents, with interest from the passage of this resolution, the same to be in payment of an assessment levied against the property of said church for paving Second-avenue with trap-block pavement, from Forty-second to Sixty-first-street, and laying crosswalks from Forty-seventh to Seventy-ninth-street, and charge the same to account of Donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Report of Committee on Streets of Board of Aldermen, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth-streets, from the First to the Fifth-avenue, be paved with Belgian pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Martin Wollweber, for the sum of two hundred dollars, to be in full for loss of horse, and charge the same to the account of City Contingencies.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Fitzgerald, Cook—21.

Petition of Managers of St. Luke's Hospital, with resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to add to his warrant in favor of A. Norrie, Treasurer of St. Luke's Hospital, directed to be drawn in favor of such Treasurer by a resolution of the Board of Aldermen, passed December twenty-seven, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and approved by the Mayor, December thirty-one, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, an amount sufficient to cover the interest to accrue upon the two assessments mentioned in said resolution, and that the said Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw another warrant in favor of the said A. Norrie, as such Treasurer, for the amount of two thousand five hundred and forty-three dollars and ninety-two cents, with interest, to reimburse the said hospital the sum of eight hundred and fifty-eight dollars and ninety-two cents, paid by them to redeem their lands from a sale for an assessment for grading Fifty-fifth-street, and to enable said Treasurer to pay an assessment against the said hospital for resetting curb stones in Fifty-fourth-street, between Third and Sixth avenues, amounting to sixty-five dollars, with interest, and another assessment for Fifty-fourth-street trap-block pavement, between Third and Sixth avenues, amounting to one thousand four hundred and twenty dollars, with interest, the amount to be charged to the account of Donations.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of A. Norrie, Treasurer of St. Luke's Hospital, for the sum of four thousand dollars, to supply a deficiency in the revenues of the said hospital for the past year, and to charge the same to the account of Donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Keenan, Healy, Robinson, Stacom, Hagerty, Hayes, Koster, Kenney, Brinkman, Brady, Houghtalin, Leavy, McGrath, Green, Smith, O'Callaghan, Russell, Joyce, Reilly, Cook—19.

Negative—Councilman Fitzgerald—1.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

Councilman Stacom moved that the board do now adjourn.

Which was carried.

Whereupon, the President declared that the board stood adjourned until Thursday, twenty-first instant, at two o'clock P. M.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONGRESS.

In Senate, yesterday, the bill to pay $25,000 to Mrs. LINCOLN was passed. Various petitions were offered concerning the status of the States recently in rebellion. A bill was reported to annex Berkeley and Jefferson Counties in Virginia to West Virginia. (This puts Harper's Ferry and all the western part of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad in the latter State.) A bill was reported to grant suffrage in the District of Columbia to all males over 21 who can read and write. Mr. WILSON called up the bill to maintain the freedom of the inhabitants in the States declared in insurrection and rebellion by the proclamation of the President of July 1, 1862. It abolished all laws, statues, acts, ordinances, rules and regulations, which make inequalities in rights and immunities on account of distinction or differences of rules, race or descent. Mr. SUMNER used up nearly all the session in a speech of censure upon the President for his representation of the spirit of the Southern people. Mr. SAULSBURY and Mr. COWAN joined in the debate. It was agreed with the House to adjourn from to-morrow (21st) to the 5th of January. The death, during the recess, of Mr. KELLOGG, a member of the House from New-York, was announced, and the Senate adjourned.

In the House, resolutions were referred congratulating the country on the adoption of the Constitutional Amendment. A bill was passed giving the appointment of Deputy Assessors of Internal Revenue to the Secretary of the Treasury. It was resolved that the Secretary of War be directed to communicate to the House the record, testimony, sentence and action of the court-martial which tried BENJAMIN G. HARRIS, a member of this House from the State of Maryland. Mr. BANKS reported an amendment to the rules intended to make the reporters of the official record of proceedings, officers of the House, appointed by the Speaker. The certificate of election as a member, of Mr. KYLE, of Arkansas, was presented. A bill establishing several new post routes was adopted. Mr. STEVENS introduced a bill to double the pensions of those who were made pensioners by the casualties of the late war, to pay the damage done to loyal men by the rebel government and the rebel raiders, and enforce the confiscation laws, so as to pay the same out of the confiscated property of the enemy. A bill to limit the liability of ship owners was referred; also, a bill to establish a United States District Court in Northern Pennsylvania. A petition was presented by Judge WARMOUTH, who claims admission as delegate from the Territory of Louisiana. Resolutions were submitted requesting a speedy public trial of JEFFERSON DAVIS. The recess to Jan. 5, was agreed to. A Senate resolution was adopted giving the President control of certain Indian funds. Papers referring to the forthcoming Paris Exhibition were laid before the House. After eulogies on Mr. KELLOGG, lately a member from New-York, the House adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

The steamer *Henry Chauncey*, from Aspinwall, brings later news from the South American republics. The files of papers are from Lima to the 27th, Valparaiso to the 17th, and Bogota to the 16th of November. The quarrel with Spain is the all-absorbing topic in Chili, and the cause of Chili is warmly espoused by the people and press of all the South American republics, though as yet no governmental action is reported. Both official and non-official journals are, however, unanimous in the expressesn of sympathy with Chili in her bold protest against the aggressions of Spain. The rumor that Spain had withdrawn from the contest finds no confirmation in the news brought by this arrival. The first direct conflict between the Chilian and Spanish forces occurred on the 6th of November at Dicacho. A party of thirty Spaniards attempted to land, first firing at the fortifications. They were beaten back by the garrison. One man was taken prisoner and two were wounded. A subscription has been started at Copiapo for the purchase of the steamer *Atacama*, with the intention of turning her into a privateer, to prey upon Spanish commerce. A patriotic concert had been given at Valparaiso in behalf of the national cause. The President and chief officials of the repulic were present. The British merchants in Valparaiso have had several more meetings and have sent through theirConsul more petitions to their government to lend its influence in behalf of Chili. Mr. POLLARD, an American merchant resident at Valparaiso, committed suicide on the 9th of November, by shooting himself with a pistol. The announcement of the declaration of war by Chili against Spain had been received in Callao and Lima with much enthusiasm, and it was believed that the new government would support Chili.

From Mexico intelligence is received of the arrival of Empress CHARLOTTE at Merida, the capital of Yucatan, on the 23d ult. Her reception appears to have been an enthusiastic ovation. After being conveyed through the town to the Cathedral, and the offering up of the *Te Deum*, she repaired to her residence and made a speech to the people, concluding with a cheer for the province of Yucatan. The Emperor, who had remained at Mexico, was to have left on the 2d inst., for Cuernavaca. A French transport had arrived bringing 615 soldiers. The Imperialists boast that the attack of the Liberals on Metamoras was a failure, and that confusion and anarchy prevailed among them. The latest news from the latter place was to the 26th ult. Everything was quiet and no attacks had been for some time made on vessels going up and down the river.

Later news from Peru, to Nov. 27, conveys the unexpected intelligence that Gen. CANSECO, who became Provisional President on the expulsion of President PEZET, has been peaceably deposed, and Col. PRADO, another leader, made Dictator. The election seems to have been by acclamation, at a public meeting held on the Cathedral Plaza, in Lima, to consider the state of the country. Gen. CANSECO will call a Congress as soon as practicable. The feeling against Spain is very strong, and it is expected that Peru will abrogate her treaty with Spain and make common cause with Chili.

The rebellion in the United States of Colombia is demeed at an end, as the rebels had received heavy reverses in Cauca. The revolt is said to have had for its object the prevention of the election of Gen. MOSQUERA, who is the prominent candidate for the next Presidency. *La Opinion* states that peace and order have come at last; the rebellion is crushed, and confidence is reëstablished.

We have news from Hayti to the 13th inst. Gen. SALNAVE was at Monte Christo, in San Domingo, recruiting his army, to which he was receiving large accessions of deserters from GEFFRARD's forces. GEFFRARD had offered a reward of $4,000 for his capture. It is now represented that the steamer *Jamaica Packet*, captured by the rebel steamer *Valdroque*, was an English vessel chartered by GEFFRARD, and had on board troops and munitions of war.

Advices from Panama report the discovery of rich gold mines in the vicinity of Tumaco and Barbacoas, State of Cauca, New-Granada. Four men in eight days took out thirty pounds. Since the attempt at revolution on the 29th ult., affairs in Panama have been quiet. The new commercial tax on Panama and Aspinwall was to be increased five per cent.

The Quebec *News*, of Monday, says: "We learn that a considerable number of letters containing remittances for the United States have recently miscarried. It is believed that they have been stolen in the United States; for registered letters have been traced as far as the lines. Registered and unregistered letters have alike been lost."

In reply to a recent resolution of inquiry, a series of papers has been laid before the Senate relative to the late decree of MAXIMILIAN abolishing slavery in Mexico. In the opinion of Attorney-General SPEED, the effect of the decree was in reality to establish a system of peon slavery in Mexico. His opinion has been submitted to the notice of the French Government, but no response has yet been received from that quarter.

At Wilmington, N. C., matters seem to be taking a retrograde direction. Two freedmen, convicted of larceny, have been sentenced to be sold into servitude. This sentence accords with the old State code, and can be regarded as eminently Rip Van Winklean, or as an intentional thrust of the metacarpals into the facial lineaments of the Constitutional Amendment.

Brig.-Gen. JOHN MCINTOSH, who gained distinction during the war as one of the most brilliant and dashing cavalry officers, and who lost a leg in one of SHERIDAN's earlier battles in the Shenandoah Valley, has just been breveted Major-General for gallant and meritorious conduct.

MORRIS ELLSWORTH, a negro, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, and who was to have been executed at Newark on Friday, has been reprieved until the 10th of January. It is alleged that ELLSWORTH is insane.

The New-Hampshire House of Reformation, located near Manchester, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The inmates, one hundred and twenty in number, were all rescued, though most of them were asleep when the fire broke out.

The mails by the *Cuba* reached this city at a late hour last evening. The Inman steamer *Etna*, which left Liverpool at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 6th and Queenstown on the 7th, arrived here yesterday morning. Advices anticipated.

The mechanics of North Carolina are in some places organizing to resist the tax laid by the late convention, on the ground of its being not only oppressive, but without proper authority.

Hon. SAMUEL AMES, for ten years Chief-Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, died yesterday of apoplexy. He had been for some time in ill health.

A collision occurred on Sunday last at Norfolk, Va., between the Twentieth New-York Regiment and Thirtieth United States Colored. Several shots were fired, but only one, a colored soldier, was injured.

Surgeon GEO. E. COOPER, United States Army, has relieved JOHN A. CRAVEN, of the volunteer service, Post-Surgeon at Fortress Monroe.

Capt. GEORGE B. HALSTEAD has received a brevet as Major of volunteers, "for gallant and meritorious service," the brevet bearing date April 9, 1865.

The steamer *Roanoke*, from Pittsburgh, was recently sunk on the Mississippi River below St. Louis, and is a total wreck.

The weather at St. Louis has become cold, removing any immediate danger of another movement of the ice.

CHARLES MENSEL and HAMMOND ERICH, formerly of Philadelphia, have been arrested at Fortress Monroe for passing counterfeit fractional currency.

Hon. GEORGE BROWN has resigned his seat in the Canadian Cabinet.

LOCAL NEWS.

At police trials yesterday, before Commissioners ACTON, BERGEN and MCMERRAY, the conspicuous case of the day was that of Patrolman CHARLES MCDERMOTT, of the Fifth Ward, accused of unofficerlike conduct in assaulting Mr. OSBORN STOVER, of No. 176 West Sixteenth-street. On the afternoon of the 6th inst., Mr. REUBEN R. ROLLINS, auctioneer, was selling his wares on the sidewalk at No. 438 Canal-street, and his bidders and the spectators blockaded the sidewalk. Mr. STOVER, passing, experiencing difficulty in getting on, requested Policeman MCDERMOTT to disperse the multitude; but instead of complying the officer bade Mr. STOVER go on, at the same time pushing him. The officer, defending, said that he understood that the Board of Aldermen had authorized the holding of auctions in the public thoroughfares, and he believed that he had no right to drive away the auctioneer's customers. Mr. ROLLINS, also, thought his right clear to encumber the sidewalk, as the Common Council had given him permission to sell his goods at auction in the open air. The Commissioners informed the gentleman that the Common Council may authorize an auction-sale in the street, but that they cannot grant permission to any person to encumber the sidewalks. Mr. SILAS C. SMITH, proprietor of the Frankfort Hotel, appeared against Sergt. LEMUEL S. SLATER, of the Fourth Ward, complaining that on the night of July 20 the sergeant arrested the persons who had charge of the hotel, and left the house with between $5,000 and $6,000 in the safe, without adequate protection. A lodger's wallet having been missed, the Fourth Ward Police arrested several persons, and assigned a porter and a clerk to take care of the house. The charge was not sustained.

At the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Education, last evening, a communication was received from Mayor GUNTHER, nominating Mr. ANTHONY J. OLIVER as Inspector of Common Schools in the First District. The Commissioners discussed the propriety of closing the public schools against the children of non-residents, and after remarks from nearly every member of the board, in which it was shown that there were but 350 of these pupils in our schools, it was finally voted, by 17 yeas to 8 nays, that the by-laws be so amended as to make the children of non-residents ineligible to admission to our schools. After routine business, the board adjourned to Wednesday evening next.

Gov. FENTON, accompanied by Hon. F. A. CONKLING, JAMES W. GIRARD, Esq., Capt. WAGNER, Hon. B. F. MANIERRE, and Rev. SILAS FOSS, visited the Free Academy and two of Twenty-first and Fifteenth Ward Schools, yesterday morning. At the academy orations were delivered by Messrs. CARR and CASEY, and the students were addressed in complimentary terms by the Governor and other gentlemen. The inspection of the schools, next visited, afforded much interest and pleasure to the party.

The first regular inspection of the Third Regiment National Guard, (Veterans,) Col. BENDIX, commanding, was held, last evening, at the United States Arsenal, corner Thirty-ninth-street and Sixth-avenue. Brig.-Gen. HALL, of the Governor's Staff, made the inspection, and Gen. BATCHELDER was present. Nearly 300 men were in the ranks, and the inspection was a highly satisfactory one. This makes two veteran regiments now organized in the National Guard.

The *habeas corpus* case of ROBERT MARTIN, at present confined in Fort Lafayette on the charge of being a rebel spy and a confederate of KENNEDY in attempting to burn New-York City in December, 1864, was argued at length, yesterday, in the Supreme Court, before Justice LEONARD. A decision will be rendered on the 28th inst.

A very large calendar was disposed of, yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions. Most of the prisoners who had been brought up for trial pleaded guilty to the charges against them. In several cases, however, trials were had, but in two only were there convictions.

JOHN HACKETT, who was last week tried in the Court of Oyer and Terminer for stabbing JOHN GREEN, and found guilty by the jury of murder in the first degree, was yesterday sentenced by Justice SUTHERLAND to be hanged the 9th of February.

GEORGE W. SEAMAN, Justice of the Peace for the town of New Lots, has been indicted for keeping a liquor store, contrary to the statutes, and for other offences.

The public schools of Brooklyn are to be closed on Friday, the 22d inst., and reopened on the 3d of January, 1866.

Gold was ½ ₱ cent. lower, and most of the Railways 1 ₱ cent. lower yesterday than on Tuesday. Erie was the exception among the latter. Government Securities dull. Money easy, and Exchange tending to weaker rates.

Produce and merchandise were in moderate demand yesterday, and without any very remarkable changes in values. There was unusual animation in the freight market. The total number of vessels of all classes in port was 542.

☞ Readers of the TIMES who wish to know the best places to make holiday purchases are referred to an elaborate article upon the subject on our eighth page.

Senator Sumner's Attack upon the President.

If it is imagined by any Congressmen who do not agree with the reconstruction policy of President JOHNSON, that anything is to be gained on their side by hard words against him, they will soon discover their mistake. He is a man so strongly intrenched in the respect and confidence of the people that all imputations upon him are sure to recoil upon their authors. We should have supposed that this had been too often illustrated in the case of President LINCOLN to make it necessary for any one to be reminded of it now. Everybody knows it be a historical fact that it was always a losing business to use harsh language against the late President. Among the many things which contributed to the utter prostration of the Democratic party, few were more effective than the attacks upon his personal character. The extreme radicals of the Wendell Phillips school lost prodigiously in that way at a time when, by a discreet use of their opportunities, they might have strengthened themselves as never before. It is almost impossible to get the assent of the people to any argument presented in a spirit they know to be unjust.

If Senator SUMNER deems it his duty to oppose the reconstruction methods of President JOHNSON, he has the clear right to do so, and if he would confine himself to fair argument, would be listened to respectfully. But he has damned his cause at the outset in charging misrepresentation upon President JOHNSON in the message sent to the Senate, respecting the condition and feeling of the South. If he had it in his power to show that the President had been misinformed, the country would have been obliged to him for the correction. But when he charges the President with a deliberate intention to whitewash and deceive, he affronts the good sense and the decent sentiments of the people. President JOHNSON was sustained in all he said by the report of Lieut.-Gen. GRANT; but his bare representation ought to be enough of itself to shield him from all such aspersions as this Senator has vented upon him.

Mr. SUMNER is fond of alluding to his long Senatorial experience. Well, there are two kinds of lessons which may be learnt by experience. The one is most commonly expressed by the proverb that experience makes fools wise. But experience has also another teaching. It has its evil as well as its good side; it tends not only to eradicate errors, but in some cases to confirm and make them inveterate. In other words, it acts not only on the understanding but on the feelings, and while it is generally supposed to enlighten the former, it not unfrequently warps and distorts the latter. The cause for which a man has suffered becomes sacred in his eyes, and the feelings which these sufferings have called forth are apt to become more violent and more intense just in proportion as they ought to die away and subside. We fear that Mr. SUMNER's peculiar experience has peculiarly unfitted him for any leading part in the great work of reconciliation. He starts at every Southern bush, as an old-fashioned lord of the bludgeon and the lash. We doubt whether, to his dying day, he will cease to see red whenever he looks southwards. Yet, however excusable this may be in him, he should avoid abusing those who do not see as he does. At all events he should make an exception of one so high in official position and public estimation as President JOHNSON.

It might, indeed, be wished that calmness and moderation should pervade all the discussion upon this great subject of reconstruction, in both branches. It would be a public misfortune if it should be made the means of distracting the great Union party, and inflaming all the old sectional animosities. If ever public men were under an obligation to speak and vote under the gravest sense of responsibility, and in the most sober Christian spirit, those at Washington are under that obligation now. We do not deprecate discussion. If maintained as it should be, it will surely bring out in bolder relief the grand wisdom of the President's policy. But let justice and dignity control it. The public mind is unusually intent upon all that now transpires in the national Capitol, and will be very quick to mark any departure from this plain and paramount duty.

The New Southern Governors.

There is but little reading of greater interest to be found at present than the inaugural addresses of the Governors who have been recently elected by the people of various Southern States. They discourse to their respective communities of past movements, present aspects and future prospects, with an intelligence and a knowledge of the situation and of the popular feeling, that must attach a very high value to their utterances.

The latest Southern mails have brought us three of these documents—the inaugural address of Gov. PATTON, now fully established as legitimate Governor of the State of Alabama—the inaugural address of Gov. JENKINS, now in the same position as regards the State of Georgia, and the inaugural speech of Gov. WORTH, of North Carolina, whose gubernatorial powers are as yet less full than those of the two others just mentioned. The Governor of North Carolina declares in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature and a large popular assemblage, that the people of the State ardently desire a restoration of the Union and of national amity; that they will perform their constitutional obligations with as much fidelity as any in the Union; that the animosities produced in the South by the war are rapidly passing away; that North Carolina will "grasp the hand of conciliation if offered with generous and magnanimous confidence;" and that, if all the *acts* of the people in promptly complying with all the provisions of the President's plan, are held insufficient to entitle them to confidence, they can hardly hope to do anything which will be held satisfactory.

The message of the Governor of Georgia, of which we had a telegraphic abstract some time since, is now before us in full. Its suggestions are admirable, though its style is highly florid. Upon national affairs he dwells lengthily. He shows that in the recent remodeling of their constitution, the people of Georgia have acknowledged the National Constitution as their *supreme law*, which means more than an overture for restoration; "it means "fidelity to the supreme law in all future legislative, executive and judicial action, and in all future movement of the people *en masse*." He urges the most generous treatment of the freed Africans, and argues that the courts must be opened to them, and they must be allowed, in the assertion and defence of their rights, the testimony of their own race. Beside the various local measures suggested for the benefit of the State, Gov. JENKINS calls on the Legislature for vigorous action and a manly spirit, that Georgia may be speedily rescued from her present abject condition.

Gov. PATTON, of Alabama, begins his inaugural by exhibiting the former growth and greatness of Alabama under the Union, and contrasts them with the horrors of secession and its results. He declares that the conditions of President JOHNSON have been complied with; that the whole people are endeavoring to conform to the full requirements of the laws; and that in this faithful acquiescence in results and this sincere desire for the restoration of amicable and harmonious relations with the other States of the Union, there are no party divisions in Alabama. Those who favored and those who opposed secession stand firmly and heartily together. Magnanimity to the freed African is also here urged, and the Legislature is reminded that it has been required by the convention to provide full protection for the person and property of the colored population.

Those anxious to carp and complain, to find fault and pick flaws, can find material to work upon in these inaugural addresses of the Governors of Georgia and Alabama. Some of their statements are indefensible and some of their propositions reprehensible. As a minor matter, too, we may remark that the literary style of both of them is bad—at once windy and stilted. But neither perfect wisdom in the propositions, nor perfect purity in the composition of such State documents, are essential to the maintenance of a State in the Union, nor to the resumption of its relations therewith. And so far as fundamental principles are concerned, the specimens we have given show that no more need be required of these Southern States.

POLYGAMY.—The question of polygamy in Utah was brought up twice in Congress on Monday. An Iowa member of the House introduced a bill providing that no commission shall be issued to any civic or military officer of the government, resident in Utah, until he has officially filed a disavowal of polygamic doctrines and practices. This resolution is well, and covers all necessary ground, but we think it would be quite as well to require only that the officer shall refrain from the *practice* of polygamy, and to say nothing about "disavowing the doctrines." Men may hold very fantastical theories, but the poet, POPE, says that as long as the "life is in the right," the forms of belief are secondary; and POPE, though not infallible, was an excellent poet.

Later in the same day Mr. WARD, of this State, introduced a resolution upon the same subject, couched in unnecessarily violent language. It declared that, "notwithstanding the law against polygamy, that abominable institution still exists, and is on the increase in Utah; that it is the remaining barbarism of our age and country, and that, like its twin-sister, slavery, it should be swept from the territories of this republic, if it take the whole power of the government to do so." No action was taken by the House upon this resolution.

Some writers of ability, though not well versed as to the practical movements and agencies operating in Mormondom and its vicinity against the extension or perpetuation of polygamy, have argued that there was real danger to the country from it, now or hereafter. We think there is no real ground for these fears, though we are not sorry to see vigilance exercised toward the system in its early stages. When we recall how slavery, aristocracy, State religions, and polygamy itself, have been fastened upon various nations of the world, or how imperceptibly they have grown up from small seeds to great facts, we shall not find fault that all such evils are closely watched and properly restrained. But we think that in the way of legislation the bill first introduced to the House is all that is required.

Gen. Grant's Report to the President on the Condition of the South.

The report of Lieut.-Gen. GRANT, which we published yesterday, addressed to the President, shows the eminently practical character of its author in various recommendations—in that especially wherein he urges that military power should still be retained for the time in some, if not all, the lately insurgent States.

After a struggle of such unprecedented fierceness and bitterness as the late civil war, it is not to be expected that the defeated party will at once accept the whole issue with perfect resignation. There must be at the South some fires of discontent which four years of blood have not utterly quenched. It is among the possibilities that they might break out again. War is a tremendous reality, and cannot at once be replaced by perfect Peace. But, as the President says, the submission of the South to the government *is more complete than could have reasonably been expected*. How many of us confidently looked forward to months of guerrilla warfare and a disorganized society! What deeds of blood and violence were predicted as sure to follow even the establishment of peace!

All this has been falsified by the result. Thus far there is no guerrilla warfare, and few acts of bloodshed are recorded. The South has accepted almost too easily the new order of things. Many of our sentimental politicians would, therefore, at once recall the military and leave the States to themselves. But Gen. GRANT, with the eye of the soldier, sees that this would not do immediately. He knows what war is—what bitterness it leaves—what wrath it calls out—how easy it is by a little sentimentality to lose positions which it might require rivers of blood to regain, and he prefers to keep up small garrisons through the South.

It is of course among the possible events that the former rebels of some Southern communities might attempt to drive or prosecute the Union men. Deeds of bloodshed might be committed, which the local juries would not investigate or punish. Some threats of such revenge both toward Northern immigrants and Southern loyalists are still heard at the South. The new settlers and the old friends of the Union need protection.

Gen. GRANT sees that it is among the events—not probable, but such as prudent government should provide against—that some of the States might oppress the freed negroes, and not treat them as "citizens of the United States," or that they might disobey the laws of Congress bearing on their condition and their equality before the law, and thus a national interference be necessary. But interference requires soldiers, and arms, and organization, and this we have now in the South.

Gen. GRANT also sees the possibility—a remote one perhaps—that the negro race, instigated by bad advisers, may become vicious—embittered and aroused by real or supposed wrongs, and begin a riot or outbreak, which the present local authorities could not control or prevent. He would prevent this in the interest, both of the white and black, by the presence of military garrisons.

The Lieutenant-General sees better than most public men the uncertainty arising out of the peculiar condition of Mexico, and he knows perfectly that the first point on which a foreign enemy would strike would be our lately rebellious Southern States. No sentiment or political theory should lead Congress or the Administration to neglect for an instant the consideration of this possibility—remote we believe and pray, but still always to be borne in mind—that in the event of a foreign war, the South is the Achilles heel with us, and would be the first point aimed at by a European antagonist.

The presence of garrisons gives us military *nuclei* on the Southern coast, around which we can gather what forces are necessary, both to keep down internal movements and repel foreign aggressions.

As to the Freedmen's Bureau, Gen. GRANT recommends that it be organized as a part of the War Department and work with the military officials and machinery. We had supposed that, according to the act of Congress, it was a branch of the War Department, and not a separate organization. It is manifest, as the General says, that the interests of both employer and employed demand such a bureau for a time, to protect the laborer and enforce contracts on both sides. We believe it has been of great assistance to the South in reorganizing labor and assisting it with capital, but it is manifest that it should be a branch of the military administration of the South, and as such it was intended to be made by the law which Congress passed for its formation.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.—A year ago, at wholesale, we were paying an average of nearly fifty per cent. more than we are paying to-day for breadstuffs and provisions. At retail, in the shops of all the petty dealers, the poor housekeeper pays as much this week as he did twelve months ago. This would not be, had we a market system worth the name; or if industrious citizens of limited means would combine—say in families of four or five, living in the same neighborhood—to make their purchases of the principal articles of every day consumption *in common*. This would especially apply to meat, flour, sugar, and butter—the heavy items of the weekly bill. A carcass of good mutton, which would well divide among *four* at this season, might be bought at just about *one-half* what it is retailed at per pound in the petty butchers' shops. In butter a great saving might likewise be made. Surely there are thousands of cases where this combination might easily and safely be made—in the Winter season especially. Let the plan be tried, and we shall soon see the profits of the petty retailer reduced to a point somewhere within the bounds of reason.

ANOTHER COLLAPSE IN THE CANADIAN ADMINISTRATION.—The telegraph briefly reports that Hon. GEORGE BROWN, President of the Council in Canada, has seceded from the government. Mr. BROWN, besides being the proprietor of the leading journal of the Province, has the largest sectional following of any member of the local Parliament. His acceptance of office prevented the Province from being cut up politically into hostile factions on a geographical basis. The government of the colony had practically come to a deadlock when Mr. BROWN consented to take part in the coalition which is now broken up. His personal following in the Assembly gave the Ministry the necessary legislative support to carry its measures; and to Mr. BROWN it was mainly due that the scheme of federation made such progress as it did. His retirement leaves the McDonald-Cartier government too feeble even to deal with minor domestic matters, and utterly powerless to prosecute any exterior measures looking to union with the maritime colonies. The plan of Confederation has made all the progress it will make in this generation, or probably in the next. One hundred thousand settlers have left the Provinces for the States during the year; and to that serious economic loss, there is now added this heavy political failure—an accumulation of evils to be still further aggravated by the termination, a month or two hence, of the profitable commercial convention with the United States. These events can hardly fail, in spite of our perfect indifference, to create a powerful annexation party at no distant date.

HEAVY COTTON MOVEMENTS.—The week's exports of cotton from this port have been unusually extensive, having amounted to 13,596 bales, representing a currency value of $3,165,479. Included in the exports have been to Liverpool, 13,097 bales, valued at $3,056,225; and to Bremen, 499 bales, valued at $109,254. The market closed briskly yesterday for all desirable shipping and spinning grades at firm prices, on an estimated stock of all kinds, available in this port, of 205,000 bales. The receipts at the port thus far this month have been quite liberal, having amounted to 77,000 bales, making the total arrivals here since Sept. 1, 391,800 bales.

THE BROOKLYN ART ASSOCIATION.—The first public reception this year of the Brooklyn Art Association took place last evening at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. It was, as usual, a very brilliant and successful affair, and a most auspicious opening of the art season in our sister city. The display of pictures was large and remarkably fine, containing fewer old acquaintances than are usually to be met with on such occasions. Among the more noticeable pictures were: WILLIAMSON's "Summit of Chocorua by Twilight," fresh from the studio, and remarkable for its expression of twilight effects in mountain scenery; "Spring," a new and glowing transcript of nature, by R. GIGNOUX; the "Bird's Nest," by W. S. MOUNT; "The Raid," by OERTEL, a vigorous and striking composition; and the "Little Queen of the Woods," by J. G. BROWN. There were two very fine water-color drawings by J. S. DAVIS; but we missed, in this department, the name of CHARLES PARSONS, incomparably the best water-color artist in America. His works are distinguished by extreme delicacy and beauty of conception, and strength and clearness of execution, combined with a purity and loveliness of tone which no other artist in water-color has ever approached in this country. It is to be hoped that the next exhibition will not be without some specimens of his genius. The exhibition will remain open the rest of the week and on Christmas Day, and is well worthy of repeated visits.

The Returns from the Seventh District of the Twenty-second Ward.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In reply to your article in this morning's TIMES, I desire to state that the return, as handed to me by the canvassers of the Seventh District, Twenty-second Ward, has not been altered or tampered with in any way since it came into my possession, and that the return agreed precisely with the one delivered to Mr. VALENTINE, Clerk of the Common Council.

I was waited upon this morning by a committee of the friends of Mr. ALLEN, who examined the return in my possession and became satisfied that no alteration or changes had been made in said return.

In reference to the statement of votes as given in your columns, I would say that Mr. BRADY is a resident of the Seventh District, and has been so for many years, and it is an easy matter to understand why he should poll more votes than Mr. ALLEN, who is a stranger in that ward, and comparatively unknown.

PETER MASTERSON,
Alderman Thirteenth District.

"Mathematical Curiosities."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your just remarks in the TIMES to-day, under the above heading, may be further confirmed by the fact that the returns from the Seventh District of the Twenty-second Ward, sent to the Police Headquarters, show, School Commissioner—HORATIO P. ALLEN, 210; JOHN R. BRADY, 110; FREDERICK SMYTHE, 43; and the original tally agrees with those figures. And more than this, the police in that ward kept the box, with the tickets canvassed, on the night of the election, and on counting the same again, on Monday evening, after the remarkable announcement by the Board of County Canvassers that BRADY had 211 votes and ALLEN 110, in that district, it was found that the tickets showed precisely the same result as that returned to Police Headquarters—and what is still more remarkable is the fact that the return made, as to School Commissioner, has been *abstracted* from the returns from that district filed with the Clerk of the Common Council, *since the canvass by the Board of County Canvassers was made*. If that return had not been altered, why has it been abstracted?

The subject however is being ventilated, and somebody's foot may be caught.

RIGHT.

The Late Seizure of Whisky.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1865.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your paper of Sunday appeared an item headed "Large Sale of Contraband Whisky," which was incorrect in some particulars. The whisky, it is true, was seized for alleged violation of the internal revenue law, but it has not yet been decided as forfeited.

In fact, the question of its forfeiture has yet to be tried, and on such trial we expect to be able to prove, on part of our client, the claimant, that the whisky was manufactured long prior to the law going into effect, and consequently not liable to any tax. Yours, &c.,

COOPER & ROE, Attorneys for claimants.

GOV. FENTON'S MOVEMENTS.

His Visit to the Free Academy and Two of the Public Schools.

Gov. FENTON, with his Staff, arrived in this city on the afternoon of Monday, and has since been stopping at the Metropolitan Hotel. In the evening he was waited upon by the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Fire Department, and invited to inspect the parade in passing the hotel yesterday. The Xrincipal of the Free Academy and a number of the Trustees of Public Schools also called upon him, requesting that he should visit some of those institutions before he left the city. In compliance with the last-named invitation the Governor, accompanied by Hon. F. A. Conkling, James W. Girard, Esq., Capt. Wagner, Hon. B. F. Manierre and Rev. Silas Foss, arrived at the Free Academy yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, and was received by the venerable Principal, Dr. WEBSTER. The party ascended to the spacious lecture room, when Gov. FENTON was introduced to the young gentlemen assembled to receive him. After the delivery of an eloquent oration by Mr. CARR on "College Commencement," and one by Mr. CASEY on the Metropolitan Fire Department, the Governor addressed the students in a complimentary manner, expressing the pleasure he had felt in listening to the orations he had just heard, which he accepted as pleasing proofs of the superior attainments of the young gentlemen of the academy. He forcibly impressed upon them the value of those labors they pursued in shaping the future fortunes not only of themselves but of that great nation to whose generous institutions they owed that fostering care which now nourished and developed them intellectually.

Hon. J. A. CONKLING next addressed the boys in a brief but stirring speech, pointing out some of the duties which lay before them in the great world in which they were about to enter, dwelling forcibly upon the claims of their country upon them for the exercise at all times through their lives of a lofty and self-sacrificing patriotism.

Leaving the lecture hall the various departments of the college were passed through, especial attention being elicited by the splendid library of 14,500 volumes, and by the rooms of the drawing classes, where the only plaster casts which have been taken from the Elgin marbles are exposed for copy by the students. Having made the rounds of this institution, the party next proceeded to the

TWENTY-FIRST WARD SCHOOL,

where they were received by ED. BANKS, Esq., Chairman of the Board of Trustees of schools of the Twenty-first Ward, and by Mr. STEVENSON, also a Trustee. The senior classes were first visited, where the boys passed through a variety of evolutions in such a perfect manner as to elicit especial compliment from Gov. FENTON to the boys and their efficient Principal, Mr. OLMEY.

The Female Department, in charge of Miss CAROLINE F. WHITNEY, was next inspected, and called for the hearty commendation of Gov. FENTON, who addressed the young ladies at some length and gave them some good advice, which doubtless will be the better remembered that they heard it in the kind voice of the Governor of the State.

Miss WHITNEY was introduced to Mr. FENTON as a lady who had now been a teacher in connection with this system of national education over thirty years. If the perfect order and evidence of judicious training reward this lady, in some measure, as no doubt they do, for the labor she still devotes to the development of the young mind intrusted to her care, how much greater still is her reward to look back at the successful results of this oft-repeated duty, where she cannot fail to recognize the familiar faces of those indebted to her in past years for good and wholesome lessons, moral and intellectual. Gov. FENTON expressed himself on leaving as highly gratified with the department, promising the girls to come and see them soon again, when he could stay longer with them. The Primary of this school was next upon the programme here. Miss KATE MYERS is the principal teacher, a young lady who has long established a reputation as the most perfect disciplinarian on the staff of public teachers. The mystery of Miss MYERS' success lies in the love, not in the fear of the little ones, as was evident in their cheerful responses to her every look and nod. The calisthenic drill of these children is something wonderful.

From five hundred little throats arose in thrilling tones, "May God defend the Right," which was chorussed till the roof rang, the entire performance affording intense pleasure to the distinguished visitors.

From this school the Governor and party next proceeded to the

GIRLS' GRAMMAR SCHOOL IN TWELFTH-STREET,

where they were received by Mr. JAMES D. OLIVER, who introduced Miss LYDIA F. WADLEIGH, Principal of the Senior Department, and Miss WOODWARD, of the Junior. The young ladies of this school are of superior attainments, many of them being in training for teachers, and others whose parents occupy independent positions, yet who prefer the admirable training of this establishment for their daughters to private education.

In each of these departments young ladies sang with excellent taste and execution some of our finest national melodies. Gov. FENTON addressed them in terms of appreciation and encouragement, in praise in those particular instances, the superior wisdom of the young ladies, evinced in their advanced attainments, and reminding them of the important duties before them all, especially before those who went out into the world to teach.

This closed the tour of the morning; Gov. FENTON and his friends expressing not only their delight but astonishment at the pleasing proofs afforded them of the admirable working of our system of Common Schools.

The Governor, with his party, then returned to his hotel to meet the Commissioners of the Fire Department, prior to the parade.

PARADE OF THE METROPOLITAN FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A Fine Display and a Pleasant Day—Scenes Along the Route—Review of the Brigade by the Governor, the Mayor and the Heads of the Departments.

The parade yesterday afternoon of the Metropolitan Fire Department of this city, was in every way a pleasing and perfect success. The neatness and adaptibility of the uniforms, the class of men holding positions in the department; the beauty and perfect condition of the apparatus; the style and strength of the draft animals, and the general completeness of the entire parade, made the review alike creditable to the city and to the Board of Commissioners, whose continued and unwearied exertions have brought the new paid system to its present state of perfection and discipline. It short it was a positive exhibition of the capabilities and the resources of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, and as such served the purpose for which the parade was arranged.

There were thirty-one steam engines, thirty tenders, and ten hook and ladder trucks in line. The ceremony comprised a march down Broadway from Union-square, a review by and marching salute to His Excellency Gov. FENTON, at the Metropolitan Hotel, and a second review by Mayor GUNTHER and the members of the Boards of Aldermen and Councilmen. All of these several items in the general programme were properly observed and performed.

The line of parade was formed a few minutes before 2 P. M., under the direction of Chief-Engineer ELISHA KINGSLAND, assisted by his Board of Engineers, who acted as [illegible] special aids. The [illegible] ral companies ordered [illegible] ance in Fourteenth-street [illegible] pline already existing [illegible] once in the history of [illegible] the line was exceeded [illegible] scene in Fourteenth-street [illegible] the respective divisions [illegible] interesting one. Great [illegible] the sidewalks, inquisitively [illegible] pieces of fire-apparatus [illegible] and carefully noting [illegible] ed. Disbanded members [illegible] visited their old "machines" [illegible] up the many exciting [illegible] witnessed in company [illegible] children thronged the [illegible] entire street was with [illegible] essary movement to and fro of the different companies.

Precisely at 2 o'clock [illegible] by the Chief, when the [illegible] following order:

Platoon Police, Dodworth's Band, Grand Marshal, Chief-Engineer Elisha Kingsland; [illegible] shal, Assistant Engineer [illegible] Engineer Gilbert J. Orr [illegible]

First Division—Marshal [illegible] Engine Company No. [illegible] and Ladder Company [illegible] gine Company No. 4.

Second Division—Marshal [illegible] Hook and Ladder Company [illegible] 5, Engine Company No. [illegible] and Ladder Company [illegible]

Third Division—Marshal [illegible] gine Company No. 8; [illegible] Ladder Company No. 4 [illegible] Company No. 12.

Fourth Division—Marshal [illegible] Hook and Ladder Company [illegible] 13, Engine Company [illegible] Hook and Ladder Company [illegible]

Fifth Division—Marshal [illegible] Engine Company No. [illegible] Company No. 18, Engine [illegible] der Company No. 7.

Sixth Division—Marshal [illegible] Jr., Engine Company [illegible] Engine Company No. 2[illegible] and Ladder Company [illegible]

Seventh Division—Marshal [illegible] Engine Company No. 2[illegible] Company No. 27, Engine [illegible] Ladder Company No. 9.

Eighth Division—Marshal [illegible] Company No. 30, Engine [illegible] pany No. 33, Engine Company [illegible] Company No. 11.

Each company was [illegible] way, the foreman and [illegible] company, marching side by side [illegible] drawn by a fine strong [illegible] gine was seated the d[illegible] behind were the steamer [illegible] steamer was followed [illegible] by a single horse, and [illegible] lengths of hose. The [illegible] company marched in [illegible] paratus.

As the last of the procession [illegible] progress down Broadway [illegible] were speedily filled [illegible] were evidently on the [illegible] in public of the new paid [illegible] ious to see how far the [illegible] had progressed. The [illegible] really fine appearance [illegible] ment, could be easily [illegible] server, for all along the [illegible] eral voice of the people [illegible] did, and the department [illegible]

While the parade was [illegible] parlors in the Metropolitan [illegible] specially invited guests [illegible] the Department by Gov. FENTON. Gov. FENTON and his staff, co[illegible] PALMER, MERRITT, S[illegible] assembled in the parlors [illegible] Commissioners BROWN [illegible] ment, President ACTON [illegible] of the Police Department [illegible] men connected with our [illegible] tions. A detail of police [illegible] WILLIAMSON, of the F[illegible] tendance at the hotel, [illegible] sage ways clear.

As soon as the head [illegible] Governor was ushered [illegible] which had been simply [illegible] those who had received [illegible] after His Excellency. [illegible] large crowd of spectators [illegible] the Governor as the [illegible] was used during the [illegible] men simply touching t[illegible] past the Governor. T[illegible] minutes in passing. E[illegible] the very best condition [illegible] ings of the machines [illegible] naments in their brilliancy [illegible] being all new, gave the [illegible] horses employed to d[illegible] were stout and thoroughly [illegible] were of the most serviceable [illegible]

After passing in view [illegible] cession moved in steady [illegible] Park, the entire route [illegible] terested spectators. T[illegible] and comfortable, but [illegible] less slippery, the men [illegible] have found it easier [illegible] ments. Owing to the [illegible] lice, very little delay [illegible] vehicles which thronged [illegible] the head of the parade [illegible]

Here a great multitude [illegible] witness the review by [illegible] culty that Capt. BRACKETT [illegible] space for the passage [illegible] worth's band entered the [illegible] Recorder HOFFMAN, the [illegible] from the Mayor's office [illegible] Commissioner ABLE, [illegible] members of the Boards [illegible] Councilmen. The usual [illegible] the different companies [illegible] view. When the seventh [illegible] gate of the Park the line [illegible] company turning off to [illegible] in half an hour after [illegible] entire pageant had disappeared.

Fires.

IN DUANE-STREET.

A fire broke out about 9 o'clock last evening, in the pork-packing establishment of FINE & HENZLER[illegible], Nos. 191 and 193 Duane-st., [illegible] damage, in destroying [illegible] fire was occasioned by [illegible] fire. Covered by insurance.

IN CANAL-STREET.

A few minutes after [illegible] fire occurred in the drying-room [illegible] depot of AUGUSTE SP[illegible] The damage to stock was [illegible] damaged about $100. [illegible] Grocers', and $1,000 [illegible] Companies. The building [illegible] the Peoples' Insurance [illegible]

AFFAIRS IN HAYTI.

Gen. Salnave' Recruiting his Army at Monte Christo—Geffrard Offers a Reward of Four Thousand Dollars for his Capture.

FORTRESS MONROE, Wednesday, Dec. 20.

The United States steamer *De Soto*, from Port au Prince the 13th inst., has arrived here. She reports that Gen. SALNAVE was at Monte Christo, in San Domingo, with his staff and Senate. He was recruiting his army, which was being strongly reinforced by deserters from GEFFRARD's forces. There was great excitement at Port au Prince. Reinforcements were being sent forward to Cape Haytein, where an attack from SALNAVE was expected. GEFFRARD sent a Commissioner to the San Domingo Government to request the delivery of SALNAVE, and afterward offered $40,000 for his capture, and various sums for the persons of his council. The Haytiens universally favor the revolution against GEFFRARD.

At Cape Haytien were the British frigate *Galatea*, and corvettes *Faun* and *Lilly*, the French steamer *Latin*, the Sweedish frigate *Vanadis*, and the United States steamer *Shamokin*, coaling for Brazil.

The English fleet were raising the gunboat *Voldroque* for GIFFRARD, and had received the machinery from the British steamer *Bull Dog*.

The British steamer *Jamaica Packet*, captured by the rebel steamer *Voldroque*, was really an English vessel chartered by GIFFRARD, and had on board troops and munitions of war.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

FATAL KEROSENE ACCIDENT.—A young woman, named MARGARET BRIAN, residing at No. 116 East Fifty-ninth-street, while building a fire on Tuesday evening, used a quantity of kerosene oil to kindle the coal. Not being aware of the explosive properties of the material, she did not observe proper care, and an explosion was the result, setting MARGARET's clothes on fire. Before aid could reach her, she was so severely burned about the lower limbs that death ensued yesterday morning.

PROTESTANT ASSOCIATION.—The W. G. Lodge of the American Protestant Association held an election for officers on Monday evening last, when the following were elected; W. G. Master—Francis McMulkin; W. V. G. Master—William Sharkey; W. G. Recording Secretary—William F. Lloyd; W. G. Treasurer—Morgan Gray; W. C. Chaplain—William Lambert; W. G. Conductors—John Morrow, Andrew Ferguson; W. G. Tylers—Joseph McKinley, James Muligan.

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER.—The friends and admirers of JAMES LINEN, Esq., of California, give him a farewell dinner this evening at the Astor House, preliminary to his departure for his home on the Pacific coast. WM. CULLEN BRYANT will preside. Mr. LINEN has been here some time superintending the publication of a volume of his poems.

BOILER EXPLOSIONS.—Mr. NORMAN WIARD, who has made important discoveries lately as to the causes and prevention of boiler explosions, will read a paper on the subject this evening before the Polytechnic branch of the American Institute, at Cooper Institute. The lecture will be illustrated by diagrams.

THE NEW BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.—We hear that the prominent candidates for the offices of President and Clerk are ALEX. H. KEECH and HARVEY T. CLEVELAND, the former for President and the latter for Clerk.

SCHOOL EXHIBITION.—At Grammar School No. 17 there will be musical and elocutionary exercises this evening, at 7 P. M. Music under the direction of Prof. NASH.

Masonic Election.

At the election held in New-York Lodge, No. 330, F. A. M., on Tuesday evening, the following officers were chosen: Master, Jas. R. Elsey; Senior Warden, Jas. G. Sweeny; Junior Warden, Edgar Odell; Treasurer, Wm. J. Bunce; Secretary, Aug. Desmond; Senior Deacon, George W. Anderson; Junior Deacon, Samuel Lawrence; Senior Master of Ceremonies, A. W. S. Vankirk; Junior Master of Ceremonies, John B. Jackson; Stewards, Albert Odell and Jas. D. Bryant; Organist, R. Horner; Tyler, Jas. L. Warner; Trustees, O. P. Quintard, P. M., Lemuel Valentine and Henry E. Sharp.

MASONIC.—The annual election of Eastern Star Lodge, F. and A. M., took place last evening at their lodge-room, corner of Thirtieth-street and Broadway, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Thomas H. Smith, Master; Walter H. Shupe, Senior Warden; C. B. De Baum, Junior Warden; Wm. H. Manick, Treasurer; Thos. A. Granger, Secretary.

The Economy of Santa Claus.

We think it not amiss to suggest to the clever old Saint to notice that a goodly portion of his lady admirers have set their hearts on possessing *one* article, above all others, at this propitious time. And, strange as it may seem, this generally coveted article is not one of mere luxury, but of incalculable use. Its possession is equal to the infusion of a wonderful amount of fresh sunshine and happiness into every household. It is wealth to the straightened family, and a source of contentment to Fortune's favorites. It is an evidence of thrift in the cottage, and may be of benevolence in the mansion. Surely the distribution of such prizes at this festive season is quite in the line of the merry old Saint, whose virtues are chanted in every home circle, and we may be pardoned for directing his attention to this method of conveying these most lasting and serviceable tokens of his regard.

If St. Nick will but inquire diligently into the dreams of the young wife, whose cares are thrust suddenly upon her, or of the distracted mother of five or six destroyers of wearing apparel, or of the poor widow whose weary hands toil by night as well as by day, to earn the barest subsistence, he will discover that the thoughts of his visits have brought to each visions of his sled laden with various patterns of that most beautiful invention of the age, the sewing machine. And we venture to say that the lips of the fair dreamers, moving in sweet supplication, would utter the word "Florence," as the reindeers gallop fleetly past with their precious freight.

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ELLIOTT—HASSERT.—In Harlem, N. Y., on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Elijah Lucas, RICHMOND B. ELLIOTT, of Mott Haven, and LETITIA HASSERT, of Harlem. No cards.

HOYT—CASE.—On Monday, Dec. 18, at the Seventh Presbyterian Church, by Rev. T. Ralston Smith, B. FRANK HOYT and FRANCES L., daughter of Andrew J. CASE, Esq., of this city.

LOW—LITTLE.—On Wednesday, Dec. 20, at St. James' Lutheran Church, by Rev. A. C. Wedekind, WILLIAM L. LOW and SARAH, youngest daughter of James Little, Esq., all of this city.

PETTES—HAMILTON.—At Hastings-on-Hudson, on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the residence of the bride's uncle, James S. Hamilton, Esq., by Rev. Dr. Williams, A. PERCIVAL PETTES, of New-Orleans, La., and MINNIE A. HAMILTON, of the former place. No cards.

PRINGLE—MAGINN.—On Wednesday, Dec. 20, by Rev. Joseph Price, JAMES W. PRINGLE and ALICE, only daughter of Capt. John Maginn, all of this city.

VOSBURGH—BALL.—On Tuesday, Dec. 19, by Rev. Dr. Tuttle, at the residence of the late Melancthon L. Seymour, his ward, MARY V. BALL and BENJAMIN F. VOSBURGH, M. D., of New-York.

WEED—LYNES.—At Norwalk, Conn., on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., EDWARD P. WEED and SOPHIE A., only daughter of Samuel Lynes, Esq.

DIED.

BARKER.—Suddenly, on Tuesday, Dec. 19, JAMES S. BARKER, aged 45 years.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend the funeral service, to be held at his late residence, on Friday morning, Dec. 22, at 10 o'clock, without further notice.

BRANDON.—On Wednesday morning, Dec. 20, after a lingering illness, EDITH L., eldest daughter of Miriam and the late A. R. Brandon, aged 7 years.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from No. 81 Clinton-place, on Friday morning, Dec. 22, at 10 o'clock.

CLEVELAND.—Rev. CHARLES CLEVELAND, Rector of Trinity Church, East New-York, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 19.

The funeral will take place from the Church, at 1½ o'clock on Friday, Dec. 22. His relatives and friends are invited to attend.

CORTIS.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Dec. 20, SARAH, wife of John C. Cortis.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at 1 P. M., on Friday, 22d inst., from her late residence, Nostrand-av., corner of Quincey-st.

CADMUS.—At Hoboken, N. J., on Tuesday, Dec. 19, CAROLINE CADMUS, wife of M. S. Cadmus, aged 42 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral, on Thursday, the 21st inst., at 1 o'clock, from the Methodist E. Church, corner of Garden and 4th sts., Hoboken.

HUBBARD.—At Stamford, Conn., on Tuesday morning, Dec. 19, ANNA M., wife of Henry A. Hubbard, and daughter of Wm. Harrison, Esq., of this city.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the Methodist E. Church, Stamford, on Thursday next, at 2 o'clock P. M. Trains leave 27th-st. and 4th-av. at 9:30 and 11:30 A. M. and 12:15 P. M. Returning, leave Stamford at 3:30, 3:45 and 6 o'clock P. M.

KEILEY.—At sea, on Friday, Nov. 24, on board steamship *City of Limerick*, six days from New-York, JAMES M. KEILEY, late of Douglas, Isle of Man, aged 27 years.

LUDLAM.—On Monday, Dec. 18, after a lingering illness, ELENOR C., wife of Isaac T. Ludlam.

The friends of the family, and those of her sons-in-law, Alexander K. Laing and Jas. R. Bradford, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Thursday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, from the Reformed Dutch Church, corner of 5th-av. and 21st-st. The remains will be taken to Greenwood for interment.

REEVE.—In Brooklyn, on Tuesday, Dec. 19, Mrs. MEHETABLE W. REEVE, aged 92 years.

The friends of the family, and of her sons, Edward and Jeremiah, are invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her grandson, Geo. Hollister, No. 251 Washington-av., on Thursday next, at 3 P. M. The remains will be taken to Mattituck, L. I., on Friday morning, for interment.

ROGERS.—On Monday evening, Dec. 18, HELEN A., wife of Wm. H. Rogers.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her father, Thos. Kimball, No. 72 Summit-st., South Brooklyn, at 1 o'clock on Thursday. Her remains will be interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

SMITH.—On Wednesday, Dec. 20, ABEL J. SMITH, in the 76th year of his age.

The friends of the deceased are invited to attend the funeral, on Saturday, the 23d inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., from Grove Church, Weehawken. The relatives and bearers are invited to be present at the house, No. 244 South 5th-st., Jersey City, at 11 o'clock A. M. same day.

STAFFER.—At Hoboken, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 20, IDA T., wife of Mr. John J. Staffer, aged 26 years.

The relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral, on Sunday, the 24th inst., at 12 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 313 Bloomfield-st., Hoboken, N. J.

SIMPSON.—On Sunday, Dec. 10, at New-Orleans, JOEL L. SIMPSON, aged 32 years, after an illness of two weeks.

The funeral will take place to-day at 10 A. M., from the residence of his brother, S. L. Simpson, No. 171 7th-av. His friends and relatives are invited to attend.

SPEIR.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 20, JOHN, eldest son of John and Elizabeth Speir.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his father, No. 170 Adams-st., on Friday afternoon, at 2½ o'clock.

TAYLOR.—Suddenly, on Monday, Dec. 18, JOSEPH W. TAYLOR, late crockery merchant of this city, in the 68th year of his age.

His relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Thursday, the 21st inst., from his late residence, No. 267 Union-st., Brooklyn, at 1½ o'clock P. M.

TRIPPE.—At Newark, N. J., on Wednesday, Dec. 20, RICHARD H., son of Joseph E. Trippe, in the 28th year of his age.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral, from Trinity Church, Newark, on Friday, Dec. 22, at 2 o'clock P. M.

VAN NUYSE.—At Bay Ridge, L. I., on Tuesday, Dec. 19, MARGARET, widow of George Van Nuyse, deceased, in the 63d year of her age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her son-in-law, J. H. Van Brunt, at Bay Ridge, this day, (Thursday,) Dec. 21, at 2 P. M.

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The Park School will hold theirs at the school-room, corner of 68th-st. and Broadway, on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Graham School will hold theirs at the rooms, corner of 54th-st. and 9th-av., on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 1 o'clock P. M.

The Boys' School, with about 100 boys, will have a festival at their school-room, No. 276 East 11th-st., on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 3½ o'clock P. M.

The German Social and Industrial School, No. 227 Rivington-st., will hold their festival on Friday, Dec. 22, at 7½ o'clock P. M., with about 200 young girls.

The News-boys, at the News-boys' Lodging-house, No. 128 Fulton-st., top floor, will hold their festival on Monday, Dec. 25, at 7 o'clock P. M.

The children of the East River School, No. 132 East 40th-st., will hold their festival at their school-room, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 1½ o'clock P. M.

The Hudson River School, corner of 24th-st. and 8th-av., will celebrate Christmas on Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 1 o'clock P. M.

The Fourteenth Ward School, corner of Baxter and Canal sts., at the school, on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The Italian Children will hold their Festival on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at the House of Industry, No. 155 Worth-st.

The First Ward School, No. 50 Trinity-place, near Rector-st., will hold theirs at the school, on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 1 o'clock P. M.

The Hammersley-st. School, No. 204 Bleecker-st., entrance on Cottage-place, with about 250 children, have their Festival on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 2½ o'clock P. M.

The girls at the Girls' Lodging-house, No. 205 Canal-st., hold their Festival on Thursday, Jan. 11, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

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FOURTEENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT UNION ASSOCIATION.

Pursuant to the call of the General Committee, the primary election for the purpose of choosing delegates to the General Committee, and also to elect officers for said association, and an Executive Committee for the ensuing year, will be held at the *College of Physicians and Surgeons, corner of 4th-av. and 23d-st.*, on the evening of FRIDAY, the 22d. The polls will be open at 7½ and close at 9 o'clock P. M.

JOHN D. OTTIWELL, President.
WM. DRUMMOND,
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TWENTIETH WARD.—A SPECIAL MEETING of the Union Association of the Eleventh Assembly District will be held corner of 8th-av. and 33d-st., FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 1865, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Central Committee and officers for the ensuing year, in accordance with the recommendation of the Central Committee.

THERON R. BUTLER, President.
KNOX MCAFEE, Secretary.

UNION PRIMARY ELECTIONS.—AT A special meeting of the Union General Committee, held at No. 435 4th-av., on Monday evening, Dec. 18, 1865, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Assembly District Union Associations in the City and County of New-York be and they are hereby instructed to meet at their respective headquarters on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 1865, and elect, by ballot, officers for each association, and seven delegates from each district to represent each of said districts in the Union General Committee for the year 1866.

The President of each association, or, in his absence, the proper officer thereof, shall appoint at least three inspectors, who shall hold the election in accordance with the rules adopted for electing the delegates to the last State Convention.

The delegates elect shall meet at headquarters, corner of Broadway and 23d-st., on TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 9, 1866, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of organization, and to transact such other business as may come before them; the polls in all cases to be open from 7½ to 9 o'clock.

JAMES KELLY, Chairman.
HENRY H. HUELAT,
CHAS. H. HALL, Secretaries.

THE FIRST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT Union Association will hold a Primary Election at headquarters, No. 5 Frankfort-st., on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, for the purpose of electing officers for the association, and delegates to the General Committee for the ensuing year. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock.

JOSHUA G. ABBE, President.
D. H. PRINTUP,
JNO. M. COSTA, Secretaries.

SECOND ASSEMBLY UNION ASSOCIATION.—In pursuance of a call of the Union Central Committee, the above association will hold a primary election on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, at 7½ P. M., for members of Union Central Committee for the year 1866, and for officers of the association. Polls open from 7½ to 9 P. M.

HENRY G. LEASK, President.
JOSEPH KNOX,
WM. F. PORTER, Secretaries.

FOURTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT UNION ASSOCIATION. will hold a primary election at No. 79 Chrystie-st., on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock.

ARCHD. HALL, President.
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DANL. S. DUAVLL, Secretaries.

FIFTH DISTRICT UNION ASSOCIATION.—An election for officers and representatives in the Central Committee for the ensuing year will be held on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, at No. 185 Spring-st. Polls open from 7½ to 9 P. M.

ANDREW BLEAKLEY, President.
AND. J. CONCKLIN,
THOS. G. BAKER, Secretaries.

TENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT UNION ASSOCIATION.—In pursuance of the call of the Union General Committee, a primary election will be held at headquarters, No. 23 3d-av., on FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, for the purpose of electing officers of the association for the ensuing year. Polls will be open from 7½ to 9 P. M.

ROBERT B. BOYD, President.
HERMAN F. BAUER,
JOHN LOBDELL, Secretaries.

TENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT UNION ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of this association will be held at Headquarters, No. 23 3d-av., on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 7½ P. M.

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THIRTEENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, TWENTY-SECOND WARD.—The annual election for delegates to the General Committee and for officers of the Union Association, will be held at headquarters on FRIDAY EVENING. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock.

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STATE OF NEW-YORK, BANK DEPARTMENT, ALBANY, Oct. 3, 1865.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to chapter 236, laws of 1859, and 476 laws of 1865, that the circulating notes of "THE MERCHANTS' BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK," a banking association, located in said city, will be redeemed at par, by the Superintendent of the Banking Department, on presentation at the New-York State National Bank, in the City of Albany, and at the Merchants' National Bank in the City of New-York, in that city, for six years from the date hereof, and not thereafter. The outstanding notes of said bank, must be presented as aforesaid, within six years from the date hereof; and all notes which shall not be presented for redemption and payment within the time thus specified, will cease to be a lien upon the fund in the hands of the Superintendent for that purpose.
EDWARD HAND, Superintendent.
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BANK DEPARTMENT, ALBANY, June 20, 1865.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to Chapter 236, Laws of 1859, and 476, Laws of 1865, that the circulating notes of THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK, a banking association located in the City of New-York, will be redeemed AT PAR by the Superintendent of the Banking Department, on presentation at the Mechanics' and Farmers' Bank of Albany, and at the American Exchange National Bank in the City of New-York, for six years from the date hereof, and not thereafter.

The outstanding notes of said bank must be presented, as aforesaid, for redemption, within six years from the date hereof; and all notes which shall not be presented for redemption and payment within the time thus specified, will cease to be a charge upon the fund in the hands of the Superintendent for that purpose.
H. H. VAN DYCK, Superintendent.

LA CROSS AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD SECOND MORTGAGE, EASTERN DIVISION BONDS.—The railroad and premises mortgaged to secure the payment of said bonds are advertised to be sold January 4, 1866. The undersigned have been appointed a committee to purchase said premises for the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company. They have received for this purpose over $800,000 of the $1,000,000 of said Second Mortgage Bonds. Bondholders who deposit their bonds with them on or before Dec. 25, will participate in the advantages of the purchase as stipulated; those who do not, will only be entitled to a dividend from the purchase money. They will receive said bonds at the office of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, No. 25 William-st., Room No. 9.
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OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN COAL COMPANY, ROOM NO. 29 TRINITY BUILDING, NO. 111 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1865.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the American Coal Company of Allegany County, Md., for the election of a Board of Directors, to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at this office on THURSDAY, the 28th inst., at 12 o'clock M. The polls will be opened from 12 o'clock M. to 1 o'clock P. M. The transfer book will be closed from the evening of the 16th to the morning of the 29th of December.
G. P. LLOYD, Vice-President.

OFFICE OF SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER CO., NO. 22 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, Nov. 23, 1865.

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATES OF the stock of the SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER COMPANY have been forfeited, and will be sold at public auction, at the office of the company, on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, 1865, at 3 o'clock P. M., for non-payment of assessment, due June 5, 1865: Certificate No. 49, in name of B. F. Woodward, for 5 shares; Certificate No. 76, in name of Geo. P. Deshon, for 75 shares; Certificate No. 88, in name of Joshua Hendricks, for 25 shares. By order of Board of Directors.
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE FROST PETROLEUM COMPANY, NO. 74 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1865.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Frost Petroleum Company, of New-York, will be held at the office of the company, No. 74 Broadway, Room No. 16, on FRIDAY, Dec. 22, 1865, at 12 o'clock M., at which time an election of trustees, to serve the ensuing year, will take place. The polls will be open from 12 to 1 o'clock. The transfer books will be closed from Dec. 12 to 22d.
RICHARD AMERMAN, Secretary.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NOS. 27 AND 29 PINE-ST.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the shareholders of this bank for the election of nine Directors and three Inspectors of Election, to serve for one year, will be held at their banking-house, as above, on the second TUESDAY of Janurry next, (9th prox.,) at 12 o'clock noon, and closing at 3 o'clock P. M. of that day.
B. SEAMAN, Cashier.
NEW-YORK, 8th December, 1865.

THE NATIONAL MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1865.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank, for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking-house No. 38 Wall-st., in this city, on MONDAY, the 8th day of January next, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock P. M.
F. CHANDLER, Cashier.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK, NO. 240 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house on the second TUESDAY of January next, (9th proximo,) between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
J. H. STOUT, Cashier.

THE BANK OF NEW-YORK, NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION, NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this bank will be held at the banking room on TUESDAY, the 9th of January next, from 12 M. until 1 o'clock P. M.
W. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

THE CHATHAM NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this association will be held at the banking-room, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M. By order of the board.
O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

THE CROTON NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, 17 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 9, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking rooms on Tuesday, January 9, 1866, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
R. M. HEDDEN, Cashier.

GROCER'S NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this Bank will be held at the Banking-House, on TUESDAY, 9th day of January, 1866, from 12 to 1 o'clock.
SAMUEL B. WHITE, Cashier.

TARR FARM PETROLEUM COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 10 PINE-ST.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Tarr Farm Petroleum Company held Dec. 12, 1865, the capital stock of the company was reduced to one million of dollars, to be reissued in one hundred thousand shares of $10 each.
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WM. T. LOCKWOOD, Secretary.

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NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

Parties holding thirty (30) or more Coupons of the several United States Government Loans, upon which the interest is due and payable Jan. 1, proximo, are requested to hand them in to this office, with schedule, at any time previous to the 29th inst.

Holders complying with the above request will have their coupons examined and checks given for them on the 30th instant, after 3 o'clock P. M. Blank schedules will be furnished upon application at the Coupon Interest Department.
H. H. VAN DYCK,
Assistant Treasurer United States.

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THIRD NATIONAL BANK
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank, for the election of directors, will be held at their banking-house on the second TUESDAY in January next. By order of the board.
J. C. MARSELLUS, Assistant Cashier.

NOTICE.

The holders of the Railroad Bonds of Scioto County and State of Ohio are hereby notified that an authorized agent will attend in the City of New-York, on the 1st day of January ensuing, at the banking-house of WINSLOW, LANIER & CO., for the purpose of paying the January interest on said bonds, and to make other arrangements in regard to their liquidation.

By order of the Board of Commissioners, Scioto County, State of Ohio.
PORTSMOUTH, Dec. 11, 1865.

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THE EXCELSIOR PETROLEUM COMPANY.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Excelsior Petroleum Company will be held at the Wall-st. Salesrooms, No. 106 Wall-st., on FRIDAY, 22d inst., at 2 o'clock P. M. Particular attention is requested to hear report of the new Board of Trustees.
By order of H. J. COLLINS, President.
THOS. B. LAWSON, Esq., Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD COMPANY, (EASTERN DISTRICT,) NO. 88 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, DEC. 18, 1865.

THE INTEREST DUE 1ST JANUARY, 1866, on the preferred certificates issued by this trust, will be paid on and after the 2d day of January, at this office, to those in whose name said certificates stand registered on the 23d inst.

The transfer books, both of common and preferred certificates, will be closed at 2 P. M. on the 23d inst., and opened Jan. 8, 1866, at 10 A. M.
ALLEN CAMPBELL, Chairman.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 51 WALL-ST., COR. WILLIAM, NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1865.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the last day of the year, preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year, prior to 1st January next, are requested to furnish an account of the premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims for return of premiums, to prevent discrepancies in the accounts.
J. H. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

THE BERKSHIRE NATIONAL BANK, SOUTH ADAMS, Mass., Dec. 18, 1865.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the BERKSHIRE NATIONAL BANK, of Adams, Mass., has been merged into the First National Bank of Adams, Mass., under the title of the latter bank. All persons having claims against the said Berkshire National Bank, are requested to present them to the First National Bank of Adams, Mass., for settlement.
C. H. INGALLS, Cashier of the Berkshire National Bank of Adams, Mass.

OFFICE OF THE PACIFIC MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, TRINITY BUILDING, NO. 111 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the 31st inst., preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year are requested to furnish an account of the premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims for return of premium, to prevent discrepancies in the accounts.
THOMAS HALE, Secretary.

MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY COMPANY'S OFFICE, NO. 25 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1855.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY COMPANY, will be closed on December 25, 1865, preparatory to a dividend. They will be reopened Jan. 10, 1866. By order of the Directors.
CHARLES P. GILPIN, Transfer Agent.

EMPIRE CITY PETROLEUM COMPANY.—Stockholders who are in favor of electing new Trustees to manage this company for next year will meet at the office of GRISWOLD & DICKINSON, No. 62 Wall-st., on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 3 P. M. The election is ordered for the 22d inst.
GEO. D. CRARY,
J. P. MANN,
CHAS. S. SPENCER,
And other Stockholders.

METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK, NO. 108 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1865.

ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of the Metropolitan National Bank will be held on TUESDAY, 9th January proximo. The poll will open at 12 M. and close at 1 P. M.
GEORGE I. SENEY, Cashier.

CORN EXCHANGE INSURANCE CO., NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 157 Broadway, on MONDAY, the 1st day of January next. The poll will open at 10 and close at 11 o'clock A. M.
W. H. WINDSOR, Secretary.

OFFICE HAMILTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 11 WALL-ST., ORGANIZED 1852.

NOTICE.—AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this company will be held at the office on TUESDAY, Jan. 2, 1866. Polls will be open from 12 o'clock to 1 P. M. By order of the board.
JAMES GILMORE, Secretary.

OCEAN NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house on TUESDAY, the 16th of January next, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock.
J. S. HARTSHORNE, Assistant Cashier.

THE NATIONAL CITIZENS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this Bank will be held at the Banking-room, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January next. Polls open from 12 to 1 o'clock, P. M.
W. H. OAKLEY, Cashier.

AN ELECTION FOR SEVEN TRUSTEES for the PHELPS AND GILLMORE GOLD MINING COMPANY will be held at their office, Nos. 23 and 25 Nassau-st., New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 10, 1866, at 12 o'clock noon. The transfer books will be closed from the 8th to the 12th of January.
W. H. STURDEVANT, Acting Secretary.

NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1865.

ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR directors of this bank, and for inspectors of the next ensuing election, will be held at the banking-house on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January proximo, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 650 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 9, 1866, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
CHARLES HUDSON, Cashier.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the Southwestern Iron Company will be held at the office of Messrs. Winslow, Lanier & Co., No. 52 Wall-st., on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27, at 2 o'clock P. M.
JAMES H. PULLMAN, Secretary.

OFFICE OF MONTAUK S. M. CO., Nov. 27, 1865.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS COMpany will be held at the office, No. 171 Broadway, on the 27th day of December next.
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BANKERS,
NO. 40 WALL-ST.
DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT STOCKS.
BONDS AND GOLD BOUGHT AND SOLD ON COMMISSION.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON DAILY BALANCES, SUBJECT TO CHECK AT SIGHT.

OFFICE DOUGLASS MINING COMPANY OF MICHIGAN, NO. 22 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN assessment of $1 per share has been levied upon the Capital Stock of the Douglass Mining Company, payable on Dec. 30, inst., at the office of the Company. All assessments not promptly paid will be charged interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum. No transfer of stock will be allowed after the above date, unless the assessment shall have been paid thereon. By order of the Board of Directors.
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1865.

SAVINGS BANKS.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
Chatham-square, opposite Mott-st., New-York.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED,
Free of Government Tax.
Deposits made on or before Jan. 2, *will receive interest as from Jan. 1.*

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 260 Bowery.

Six per cent. interest allowed on sums of $1,000 and under. Five per cent. on larger sums.

Deposits made on or before Jan. 2 will draw interest from Jan. 1. Open daily from 10 to 4 P. M., and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 to 7 P. M.
CHAS. PECK, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

SIX PER CENT. PAID FREE FROM GOVERNMENT TAX.
METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
NO. 1 THIRD-AV.

Deposits made now draw interest from 1st January.
BANK OPEN DAILY from 10 to 2 P. M., and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, from 5 to 7 o'clock.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 96 WARREN-ST.

Interest allowed at the rate of 6 per cent. on all sums entitled thereto, free of Government tax. Open daily from 10 to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

MARKET SAVINGS BANK,
No. 82 Nassau-st., New-York.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ALLOWED.

Deposits will commence to draw interest immediately on the first day of the month following date of the deposit.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST PAID,
FREE from government tax.
THIRD-AV. SAVINGS BANK,
corner 26th-st. and 3d-avenue.
Money deposited now will draw interest from Jan. 1.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK,
8th-av. and 42d-st.
INTEREST 6 PER CENT., FREE OF TAX.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST, FREE OF tax, allowed by Union Dime Savings Bank, No. 429 Canal-st., corner of Varick. Money deposited now will draw interest from Jan. 1.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1865.

The firm of E. G. ARTHUR & CO. is dissolved this day by mutual consent.
E. G. ARTHUR,
EDMUND KETCHUM.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1865.

We have this day admitted into our firm Messrs. E. G. ARTHUR and EDMUND KETCHUM. We will continue to transact a General Banking Business under the firm name of ALDRICH, SHARPE & CO., at our new offices, No. 34 Wall-st., Union National Bank Building.
ALDRICH & SHARPE.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

The undersigned have this day entered into a copartnership under the firm of FAILE, COGGESHALL & CO., for the manufacture and sale of clothing in this city, succeeding the old established house of LEWIS B. BROWN & CO., and have located at No. 53 Chambers-st. The books of LEWIS B. BROWN & CO., in liquidation, will be found at our office.
THOMAS H. FAILE, JR.
HENRY FAILE.
J. M. COGGESHALL.
G. W. BUCKHOUT.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1865.

LEWIS B. BROWN has removed to No. 58 Broadway, corner Exchange-place.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTTERSHIP.—The partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers, under the firm of J. R. GARLAND & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent, WM. H. HAMILTON retiring therefrom.

J. R. GARLAND will settle up the business of the concern.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1865.
JNO. R. GARLAND.
WM. H. HAMILTON.

J. R. GARLAND will continue business at No. 44 Broad-st., New-York.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1865.

MR. C. S. JOSLYN WITHDRAWS FROM our firm from this date. The business will be continued under the same firm name, by N. W. RIKER alone.
RIKER & CO.

SOUTHERN ADVERTISEM'TS

SOUTHERN AND WESTERN LAND
COLLECTION AND COMMISSION AGENCY

are in constant receipt of choice tracts of land throughout the South and Southwest; also, valuable mining properties,

MAKE COLLECTIONS on all parts of the country.

Pay especial attention to the sale and disposal of Southern products, and make advances on direct consignments.
MATTHEW H. BRIDGE, Manager,
No. 9 Broad-st., NEW-YORK CITY

REFERENCES BY PERMISSION;
Hon. BENJAMIN FITZPATRICK, Ex-Gov. of Alabama.
Hon. A. W. RANDALL, First Assistant Postmaster-General, Washington.
P. HARMONY'S NEPHEWS & CO., Bankers, No. 8 Broadway.
Messrs. H. B. CLAFLIN & CO., Importers, New-York.
A. W. GREENLEAF, Esq., Banker, New-York.

IRON AND METALS.

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40,000 pounds Heavy Composition.
10,000 pounds Bolt Copper.
5,000 pounds Kettle Bottom Copper.
5,000 pounds Sheathing Copper.
5,000 pounds Yellow Metal Sheathing.
10,000 pounds Copper and Tin Metal.
100 tons Sugar Mill Shafts.
200 tons Boiler Iron Punchings.
300 tons old Railroad Iron.
100 tons Car Wheels.
200 tons Kentledge.
200 tons White Pig Iron.
200 tons old Boiler Iron.
200 tons Cast Iron Borings.
100 tons Scotch Pig Iron.
100 tons Heavy Wrought Iron.
100 tons Cas. Scrap Steel.
For sale by
WM. D. ANDREWS & BRO.,
No. 414 Water-st., New-York.

IRON! IRON! IRON!

150 tons No. 1 Allentown Pig Iron.
150 tons No. 1 Carbon Pig Iron.
100 tons No. 1 Lehigh Valley Pig Iron.
200 tons No. 1 Glengarnock Pig Iron.
100 tons Horse Shoe Iron.
20 tons 2x1 Tire Iron.
25 tons old Horse Shoes.
For sale in lots to suit purchasers, by
McKEE & JUDSON,
No. 457 Water-st.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—DEC. 20, 1865, CHECK NO. 42, FOR $9,387 50, drawn by R. W. Nathan & Co., on National Mechanics' Banking Association, in favor of Horner & Hennessy, certified but not indorsed. All persons are cautioned against negotiating the same as payment has been stopped.
HORNER & HENNESSY,
No. 44 Exchange-place.

LOST—A CERTIFICATE FOR 100 SHARES QUICKSILVER MINING COMPANY, No. 4,134, in the name of Isaac H. Reed. Notice is hereby given that cause must be shown why a new certificate should not be issued therefor.
GEO. W. RYERSON, Jauncey Court.

$50 REWARD.—STRAYED OR STOLEN, from Avenue D, between 12th and 13th sts., opposite the Novelty Iron Works, a GRAY PONY, 14½ or 15 hands high, with BUGGY WAGON without top.
THOMAS HARRISON, No. 260 West-st.

FOUND—AT THE BROADWAY THEATRE, ON night of the 5th of December, a FUR COLLAR, which the owner can have by calling at No. 35 Union-square.

OWNER WANTED—FOR THREE DRESSED Mink and one raw Sable skins. Apply to A. GLANZ, No. 21 William-st.

DIVIDENDS.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 237 BROADWAY, ENTRANCE ON PARK-PLACE.

DIVIDEND.—The trustees of this institution have directed that the usual dividend on deposits entitled thereto, for the six months ending Dec. 31, at the rate of six per cent. per annum on sums not exceeding $500, and five per cent. over $500 (free from Government tax), will be paid on and after Monday, January 15, 1866.
FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, President.
WADE B. WORRALL, Sec'y. PETER CUMMINGS, Acc't.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 96 Warren-st.

DIVIDEND.—The Trustees of this institution have directed that the usual interest on deposits, for the six months ending Dec. 31, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum on sums entitled thereto, (free of government tax,) will be paid on and after MONDAY, Jan. 15, 1866.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

A Dividend of Five per Cent., free of tax, will be paid on and after the 2d of January next.
By order of the Board.
J. C. MARSELLUS, Assistant Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE MORRIS CANAL AND BANKING CO., JERSEY CITY, Dec. 18, 1865.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE FEBRUARY DIVIDEND OF 1866 TO BE PAID IN ADVANCE.—The Board of Directors have this day declared, from the earnings of the canal, a semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent. upon the amount of the Preferred Stock, and a Dividend of Six per Cent. upon the amount of the Consolidated Stock—free of government tax—payable on the 10th day of January next, at the office of the Company in Jersey City, or to Stockholders resident in and near Philadelphia, at the Banking House of E. W. Clark & Co., in that city.

This Dividend is in anticipation, and in lieu of that which would otherwise be paid in February, 1866.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 24th inst. until the 10th of January, inclusive.
JOHN RODGERS, Secretary.

THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY.—TREASURER'S OFFICE, NO. 34 CITY EXCHANGE.—At a meeting of the directors of the Michigan Central Railroad Company, held at Boston this 14th day of December, 1865, it was

Voted, That a dividend of $5 per share, free of government tax, be and the same is hereby declared payable on the 1st day of January next to holders of stock at the close of business on the 20th inst. Payment to be made to stockholders residing in Michigan, and registered at Boston, at the office of the General Receiver, in Detroit; to holders of stock registered in the City of New-York, at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, in said city; and to all others, at the office of the Treasury, in the City of Boston.

Voted, That the transfer books of the company be closed from the 20th inst. until the 1st of January next.
ISAAC LIVERMORE, Treasurer.

"THE INSTITUTION FOR THE SAVINGS OF MERCHANTS' CLERKS AND OTHERS"—No. 516 Broadway, has, by its Trustees, declared a dividend, free from Government tax, on deposits entitled thereto, for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1865, on sums of $5 and not exceeding $500, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, and on larger sums at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable or credited to depositors on and after MONDAY, Jan. 15, 1866, and if not drawn is entitled to interest from 1st of January, the same as principal.
MOSES H. GRINNELL, President.
ANDREW WARNER, Cashier.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS INSTITUTION, No. 3 CHAMBERS-ST.

DIVIDEND.—ON AND AFTER MONDAY, THE 15th day of January, 1866, there will be paid on all sums entitled thereto, the usual semi-annual dividend, at the rate of 5 and 6 per cent. per annum, and free of government tax.

Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.; and on Thursdays from 5 to 7 o'clock.
WM. H. SLOCUM, President.
CHAS. A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1865.

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR (4) PER CENT., out of the earnings of the past six months, free from government tax, will be paid to the stockholders of this Bank on and after the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed from the 26th inst. to the 2d proximo. By order of the Board.
C. A. SMITH, Cashier.

METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK, No. 108 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Six (6) per Cent., free of government tax, payable after the first Monday of January next. The transfer books will remain closed until Jan. 8, 1866.
G. I. SENEY, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of five (5) per cent., free from government tax, out of the profits of the current six months, payable on and after the 2d of January.

The transfer books will be closed from 25th inst. to 2d proximo, inclusive.
W. A. KISSAM, Cashier.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK, NO. 240 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1865.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS bank have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per cent. and the government tax, payable on the 2d day of January next. Transfer books will be closed from Dec. 26 to Jan. 2, 1866.
J. H. STOUT, Cashier.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1865.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK have THIS DAY declared a semi-annual dividend of five (5) per cent. and the government tax, payable, out of the profits of the bank, on and after Jan. 2, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from the 23d inst. to the 2d prox.
CHARLES HUDSON, Cashier.

MANUFACTURERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1685.

DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THE Manufacturers and Merchants' Bank have this day declared a dividend of five per cent. free of government tax, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1866.

Transfer books will be closed from the 23d to 31st Dec.
A. MASTERTON, Cashier.

THE CHATHAM NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1865.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF SEVEN (7) PER CENT., free of government tax, will be paid to the stockholders of this bank on and after Tuesday, second day of January next. The transfer books will remain closed from 23d inst. to Jan. 3. By order of the Board.
O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, December 18, 1865.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) per cent. has been declared, free of government tax, payable on and after the 2d of January next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 20th instant until the 2d proximo.
E. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

NATIONAL BUTCHERS' & DROVERS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have declared a dividend of Five per cent., free of government tax, from the earnings of the current six months, payable on the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will remain closed until the day of payment.
R. P. PERRIN, Cashier.

THE BANK OF NEW-YORK NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1865.

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER CENT., free of government tax, has been declared payable on and after the 2d of January next. The transfer-books will be closed until 2d of January, 1866. By order of the board.
W. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. free from government tax, payable on and after the 2d of January next. The transfer book will be closed from this date until Jan. 2.
WM. H. COX, Cashier.

THE NINTH NATIONAL BANK, No. 363 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1865.

A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT., free of governm nt tax, has this day been declared payable on and after Jan. 2d, 1866. The transfer books will be closed on the 20th instant, to reopen on the 2d January, 1866. By order of the board.
JOHN T. HILL, Cashier.

NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND of twelve per cent. on the capital stock of this bank, and the government tax will be paid on and after the 2d day of January ensuing. By order of the board.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

HANOVER NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Six per Cent., free of government tax, payable on the 2d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed until that date.
JOHN T. BANKER, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL PARK BANK OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF SEVEN (7) PER CENT. has been declared, free from government tax, payable on and after the second day of January next. The transfer books will be closed from the 20th instant until the 2d proximo, inclusive.
J. L. WORTH, Cashier.

TARR FARM PETROLEUM COMPANY, NO. 10 PINE-ST.—At a meeting of the Trustees of the Tarr Farm Petroleum Company, held Dec. 16, 1865, a Dividend of One Per Cent. upon the capital stock of the company (one million dollars) was declared, payable Jan. 2, 1866. The transfer books will be closed from Dec. 23 to Jan. 3, inclusive.
JAMES WADSWORTH, President.
J. P. HOGARTH, Secretary.

NEW-YORK NATIONAL EXCHANGE BANK, Dec. 20, 1865.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND of six (6) per cent., free of government tax, has been declared on the capital stock of this bank, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1866.
D. B. HALSTEAD, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH will pay a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. (free of tax) to its stockholders on MONDAY, the 8th of January next.
GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.
NEW-YORK, December 19, 1865.

THE TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

A DIVIDEND OF SEVEN AND ONE-HALF per cent., free from tax, will be paid on and after Jan. 2, 1866.
ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

PROPOSALS

PROPOSALS FOR FORAGE AND STRAW.
QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
No. 17 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK, Oct. 2, 1865.

Proposals are invited by the undersigned for the delivery of good, merchantable TIMOTHY HAY, on board of vessels at such wharf in New-York harbor as may be designated.

The hay and straw must be securely baled, and weigh two thousand (2,000) pounds per ton exclusive of wood.

Proposals must state plainly the quantity, price, and time of delivery.

The hay and straw will be inspected by a government inspector, and weighed before being shipped.

Proposals will also be received to deliver HAY and STRAW at Washington, D. C., Richmond, Va., and Hilton Head, S. C., subject to the above requirements.

Bids will be accepted from time to time to meet the requirements of the government.

Payments to be made on delivery, or as soon thereafter as funds for the purpose shall be received.
STEWART VAN VLIET,
Brevet Brigadier-General and Quartermaster.

SALE OF HARD BREAD.
OFFICE DEPOT COMMISSARY,
FORT MONROE, Va., Dec. 13, 1865.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, will be received at this office, on WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS of each week, for all the surplus hard bread of this depot.

The bread is in boxes of fifty (50) pounds each, and in good shipping order.

All purchases will be delivered on board of transports without expense to the purchaser.

No proposals received for less than twenty (20) boxes, one thousand (1,000) pounds.

Payment required on notification of acceptance of bid, in government funds.

Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for Hard Bread," and addressed to
JA[illegible], Colonel and C. S. V.

AUCTION SALES.

J. B. WALTON & DESLONDE, Auctioneers.
IMPORTANT TO CAPITALISTS.
THE ST. CHARLES THEATRE,
NEW-ORLEANS,
TOGETHER WITH THE
IMPROVEMENTS AND FIXTURES,
SCENERY, MACHINERY AND FURNITURE,
TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION,
BY ORDER OF
THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF THE NEW-ORLEANS GAS-LIGHT COMPANY.
BY C. E. GIRARDEY & CO.,
AND
J. B. WALTON & DESLONDE,
Auctioneers.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27, 1865, at 12 o'clock M., at the Merchants' and Auctioneers' Exchange, New-Orleans, by order and under the direction of the President and Directors of the New Gas-light Co., will be sold—

A certain lot of ground, situated in the First District of New-Orleans, in the square bounded by St. Charles, Poydras, Camp and Gravier sts., and measuring eighty feet front on said St. Charles-st., by one hundred and seventy feet in depth, between parallel lines, all more or less, American measure.

Said lot of ground is the remnant of a large portion of ground (say 130 feet front on St. Charles-st. by 170 feet in depth, between parallel lines, all more or less, American measure) acquired with other property by the New-Orleans Gas-light Company from the New-Orleans Gas-light and Banking Company, and acquired by the New-Orleans Gas-light and Banking Company, together with other properties, from James H. Caldwell, Esq., on the 12th July, 1841.

It is stipulated in the act of sale conveying this property, that the openings in the wall dividing the "Murphy House," on the north side of the lot, and the St. Charles Theatre, shall remain as they are now, and the privileges of said openings shall continue for the use and benefit of any other building that may be hereafter erected in lieu of the St. Charles Theatre, on the line of said division wall.

Together with the building known as the
ST. CHARLES THEATRE.

all the improvements and fixtures, scenery, machinery and furniture thereunto belonging, under the conditions of a lease to Ben DeBar, which stipulates "that the improvements and fixtures now on the premises being those provided for and placed there under a former agreement between the company and Ludlow & Smith, dated 26th May, 1848, shall remain undisturbed as the property of the lessor, at the expiration of the lease, to be delivered along with the entire building, with the exception of the usual wear and tear, or loss or damage by fire, in good order."

The theatre is located in the most central and commercial part of the City of New-Orleans. The building was planned after the old Saint Charles Theatre, and has been the favorite and best known theatre for many years in the city; it has been thoroughly repaired at a large expense, and will be sold subject to the lease to Ben De Bar, at the rate of $8,000 per annum, which will expire on the 30th day of September, 1867.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS—One-third of the amount of adjudication to be paid in cash in U. S. Treasury notes, and the remainder in the notes of the purchaser, to his own order, payable at one, two and three years, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date until maturity, and eight per cent interest after maturity, if not punctually paid, until final payment. The interest will be required to be paid in coupon notes, payable semi-annually; the interest notes to bear interest at eight per cent. per annum after maturity, if not punctually paid.

The purchaser may pay the amount of the adjudication, or any part thereof, exceeding the one-third in cash, at his option.

The buildings, together with the fixtures, scenery, machinery and furniture sold, must be insured at their full value by the purchaser to the satisfaction of the vendor, and the policies transferred, until after the payment of the note payable at two years.

$5,000 TONS SCRANTON COAL
AT AUCTION.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will hold their THIRTY-FIRST AUCTION SALE OF COAL on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1865, at 12 o'clock, noon, at their new Salesroom, No. 26 Exchange-place, corner of William-st., at which time they will sell, by Messrs. JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers,

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND TONS OF FRESH MINED SCRANTON COAL, of the usual sizes, deliverable at their Depot, Elizabethport, N. J., during the month of January next.

The sale will be positive; each lot put up will be sold to the highest bidder; no bids, in any form whatever, being made for account of, or on behalf of the Company. The conditions will be fully made known at the time of sale.

Terms: Fifty cents per ton, in current funds, payable on the day of sale, and the balance, with the government tax of six cents per ton, in current funds, within ten days thereafter, at the office of the company.
JOHN BRISBIN, President.

GOVERNMENT SALES.

SALE OF RESERVED HORSES.

QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12, 1865.

The Quartermaster-General of the army directs that all government horses now at Giesboro, D. C., be sold to the highest bidders.

Sales will therefore take place at Giesboro, D. C., beginning on

THURSDAY NEXT, Dec. 14, 1865,

and continuing on each TUESDAY and THURSDAY thereafter, until all are disposed of.

A boat will leave the 6th-st. wharf every hour on the days of sale.

These horses have been carefully selected, and are superior to any heretofore offered for sale.

Animals will be sold singly.

Sales to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

Terms—Cash in United States currency.
JAMES A. EKIN,
Brevet Brigadier-General in charge,
First Division, Q. M. G. O.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer.
THURSDAY, DEC. 21,

At 10 o'clock A. M., at No. 151 Smith-st., between Bergen and Wyckoff streets, Brooklyn:

Bureaus, bedsteads, tables, chairs, lounges, mattresses, crockery, glassware, stove, tin and iron ware, &c.

FRIDAY, DEC. 23,

at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Central Salesrooms, Willoughby-st., corner of Pearl-st., Brooklyn:

Seven-octave piano, Gilbert maker; two 6½-octave pianos; parlor suites, chamber suites, hair mattresses, feather beds, bedding, tables, chairs, china, plated ware, velvet and Brussels carpets, stoves, fancy goods, &c.; also, 25 new ladies' cloaks.

BENJAMIN F. THEALL, Auctioneer—late salesman with E. H. Ludlow & Co.

FINE SILVER-PLATED WARE, CHINA, &C.

THEALL & CURTIS will sell, by auction, THIS DAY, (Wednesday,) Dec. 20, 1865, at 11 o'clock, at their SALESROOM, NO. 28 LIBERTY-ST., (just below the Post-office,)

An invoice of fine silver-plated ware, &c., viz.: Casters, liquor-stands, chafing-dishes, coffee-urns, cake-baskets, spoons and forks, cutlery, &c. Also, fancy china vases, toilet sets, card receivers, engraved and Bohemian glassware, &c. Catalogues now ready at No. 28 Liberty-st.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer.
Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.
SALE OF
FINE WINES AND LIQUORS,
BY
MINER & SOMERVILLE,
THURSDAY, DEC. 21, AT 11 O'CLOCK,

comprising a choice assortment of fine old brandies, wines, Jamaica rum, fine old sherry, very fine old Holland gin, fine champagne wines, old Burgundy port, &c. Also an invoice of cigars, for account of whom it may concern.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

H. H. LEEDS & MINER WILL SELL BY auction, on WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS, Dec. 20 and 21, At 7½ o'clock each evening, at the Old Dusseldorf Gallery, No. 548 Broadway, next door below Tiffany & Co.'s store,

A COLLECTION OF THE HIGHEST ORDER OF OIL-PAINTINGS,

of the Berlin, French, Belgium and Dusseldorf Schools, belonging to Mr. Bailey, of Philadelphia.

This beautiful collection has been on exhibition at the National Art Academy in Philadelphia for the past month for the benefit of the Soldiers' Home, yielding a large amount for that institution. Among other great artists are the following:

Hildebrand,
Carl Becker,
Riefstahl,
Carl Hubner,
Giddemann,
Gesselschap,
Meyerheim,
Webb,
Seigert,
Knaus,
Breslot,
Herzeg,
Sell,
Bower,
Torssaint,
Leu,
Hoquet,
Tait,
Hilgers,
Verboeckhoven,
Litschauer,
P. Arons,
A. Achenbach,
Klombeck,
Erdmann,
Stammel,
Kauffman,
Jacobson,
Volkers,
Robbe,
De Haas,
Carl Hoff,
F. Krauff, &c.

Also, a superb Roman Mosaic, five feet two inches long by two feet two inches broad, representing the Ruins of Pæstum, with scenery of the surrounding country, taking in a circuit of forty miles, said to be the largest and most perfect specimen ever exported from Rome. This splendid collection is now on exhibition as above, free during the day; also, on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday previous to the sale, with catalogues.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

H. H. LEEDS & MINER WILL SELL BY auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 11 o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 93 Liberty-st., a few doors west of Broadway;

LARGE SALE OF COSTLY HOLIDAY GOODS, BRONZES, CHINA AND RICH IMPORTED VASES, &c., &c.

The goods are all fresh, of new styles, and just imported from Europe, consisting of bronze clocks, bronze vases, fine work-boxes, dressing-cases, shell card and cigar boxes, ivory card-cases, leather bags, glove and bone boxes, richly painted vases of beautiful designs, Bohemian punch bowls, bisque and Parian figures, cut and engraved glass sets decanters, &c., plated ware, and other fancy goods suitable for holiday presents.

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 4, 1865.

SALE OF A LOT OF CONDEMNED AND UNSERVICEABLE NAVY CANNON, SMALL ARMS AND AMMUNITION, AND ORDNANCE STORES, AT THE NAVY-YARD, BOSTON.—Notice is hereby given, that there will be sold by public auction, at the Navy-yard Boston, on the 21st day of December, 1865, at noon, a lot of condemned and unserviceable navy cannon, small-arms, small-arm ammunition, and miscellaneous ordnance stores.

The cannon will be sold by the pound, and the remainder of the articles in lots to suit purchasers.

Terms cash in government funds, one-half of the purchase money to be paid at the end of the sale, and the remainder within ten (10) days afterward, at which time the articles must be removed, otherwise they will revert to the government.

For more particular information, parties are referred to the Inspector of Ordnance at the Boston Navy-yard.
H. A. WISE,
Chief of Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department.

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 4, 1865.

SALE OF A LOT OF CONDEMNED NAVY CANNON AT THE NAVY YARD, PORTSMOUTH, N. H.—Notice is hereby given, that there will be sold at the Navy-yard, Portmouth, N. H., at public auction, on the 28th day of December, 1865, at noon, a large lot of old Navy Cannon.

These cannon will be sold by the pound to the highest bidder.

Terms cash in government funds, one-half of the purchase money to be paid at the end of the sale, and the remainder within ten (10) days afterward, at which time the cannon must be removed from the Navy-yard; otherwise they will revert to the government.

Further information regarding the sale will be given on application to the ordnance officer at the Portsmouth Navy-yard.
H. A. WISE,
Chief of Bureau of Ordnance,
Navy Department.

BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 11, 1865.

SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE AND DAMAGED NAVY POWDERS AT NEW-YORK.—There will be sold to the highest bidders, at public auction, at noon of the 28th day of December, 1865, at the office of Inspector of Ordnance in the Brooklyn Navy-yard, by samples, three thousand (3,000) barrels of unserviceable and damaged navy powders.

Terms—Cash in government funds, one-half of the amount to be deposited at the end of the sale, and the remainder within ten (10) days thereafter, during which time the powders must be removed from the Naval Magazine on Ellis' Island by the purchasers, otherwise they will revert to the government.
H. A. WISE,
Chief of Bureau.

EDWARD PETTINGER, Auctioneer.

THIRTY-EIGHTH SALE OF UNCLAIMED goods takes place on THURSDAY, 21st inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., at Central office, No. 300 Mulberry-st., consisting of the following articles, viz.: Cotton, wool, rope, sugar, coffee, men's and women's clothing, dry goods, watches, jewelry, pistols, hardware, boots, shoes, and miscellaneous articles.

AUCTION SALES.

J. H. DRAPER, Auctioneer.
UNITED STATES COTTON SALE.
JOHN H. DRAPER & CO.
will sell on THURSDAY, Dec. 28, 1865,
at 1 o'clock P. M.,
by order of Simeon Draper, U. S. Cotton Agent,
ABOUT 3,000 BALES MEMPHIS
AND
NEW-ORLEANS COTTON.

The above cotton has been classed and sampled by G. W. Amory, and may be seen in the bale at the Atlantic Dock, Brooklyn, and by sample at the office of the auctioneers, No. 36 Pine-st., New-York, two days before the sale.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.
SPECIAL AND PEREMPTORY SALE
OF
FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,
FINE GOLD JEWELRY,
DIAMOND GOODS,
HERRING'S LARGE JEWELRY SAFE,
COUNTERS, TABLES, DESKS, &c.,
THE STOCK OF
A WELL-KNOWN CITY JOBBER.
BY EDWARD SCHENCK,
On FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 22d and 23d inst.,
at 10 o'clock, at No. 60 Liberty-st.

The stock consists of a large and general assortment of GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, AMERICAN, SWISS AND ENGLISH, DIAMOND, OPAL, PEARL AND AMETHYST RINGS, GOLD CHAINS, LOCKETS, FINE GOLD SETS AND HALF SETS, CORAL, ENAMELED, PEARL AND ONYX SCARF PINS, AND EVERY VARIETY OF GOLD JEWELRY.

The goods will be on inspection at
No. 60 LIBERTY-ST.

Every article will be warranted either 14, 16 or 18 carat gold. The above goods are all of the finest manufacture, and particularly adapted to holiday presents.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer.—Office No. 37 Nassau-st.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF A VALUABLE PRIVATE COLLECTION OF MODERN OIL PAINTINGS, On FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, at 7½ o'clock, at the SOMERVILLE ART GALLERY, No. 845 BROADWAY.

A collection of valuable modern Oil Paintings, containing samples by many of the most eminent American, French, and other foreign artists, purchased principally from the artists themselves, by the late owner. Among the specimens worthy of special attention, are works by

V. NEHLIG,
VERRON,
FRERE,
DELLESSART,
GEROME,
BARRON,
LACROIX,
VAN SEVERDONCK,
VERNEST,
H. BONNER,
A. HULK,
DIAZ,
VION,
VAN BEEST,
TROYON,
MELEY,
R. STREET,
RONDEL,
DECKLING,
ROBBE,
KOEK KOEK,

The collection will be on exhibition four days prior to sale and catalogues ready.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

SALE OF FINE WINES AND LIQUORS, THE BALANCE OF STOCK OF AN OLD IMPORTING HOUSE DECLINING BUSINESS, BY MINER & SOMERVILLE, THURSDAY, DEC. 21, AT 11 O'CLOCK,

comprising a choice assortment of fine old brandies, wines, Jamaica rum, fine old Duff Gordon sherry, very fine old Holland gin, fine champagne wines, old burgundy, port, &c. Also, fine old Pocahontas Bourbon whisky, several barrels hermitage bourbon, an invoice of bourbon fifteen years old, a most delectable article; fine old Scotch whisky, in bond, an invoice of choice harmony sherry, &c. Also, an invoice of sardines. Also, for account of whom it may concern, an invoice of 2,900 cigars. To those looking for choice wines and liquors for holiday use, this sale affords an excellent opportunity.

ALSO,
One hundred modern oil-paintings in very neat gilt frames.

C. W. BOTELER, Jr., Auctioneer.

SALE OF HOSPITAL PROPERTY AT FORTRESS MONROE, VA.

MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16, 1865.

Will be sold at the UNITED STATES GENERAL HOSPITAL, near Fortress Monroe, Va., all the appliances pertaining to that establishment, consisting of serviceable articles of Bedding, viz.: Blankets, sheets, bedsacks, counterpanes, hair pillows and mattresses, towels, shirts, drawers, iron bedsteads, and an assortment of table and kitchen furniture; also, medicines, books, &c. Sale to commence on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 11 o'clock, and to continue daily until all the property is disposed of.

Terms—Cash.

Purchasers will be required to pay for and remove property within forty-eight hours from termination of sale.
C. SUTHERLAND,
Surgeon U. S. A., Medical Purveyor.

C. W. BOTELER, JR., Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF SERVICEABLE AND DAMAGED HOSPITAL PROPERTY.

MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16, 1865.

Will be sold at public auction, in this city, at Warehouses, 18th-st. and F-st., on FRIDAY, Dec. 22, 1865, at 10 o'clock A. M., a large quantity of serviceable and damaged hospital property, consisting of blankets, sheets, hair pillows, bedsacks, &c.

Purchasers will be required to pay for and remove property within forty-eight hours from termination of sale.
C. SUTHERLAND,
Surg. U. S. A., Med. Purveyor.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, MIRRORS, PAINTINGS, CLOCKS, VASES, &c.

On THIS DAY, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 91 Liberty-st., superior rosewood and black walnut parlor suites in various coverings; library and dining-room suites; etageres, buffets, extension tables, library and secretary bookcases, bedsteads, bureaus, lounges, easy chairs, hall stands, &c. Catalogues at sale.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

MINER & SOMERVILLE WILL SELL AT AUCTION THIS DAY, DEC. 21, ONE HUNDRED MODERN OIL PAINTINGS AND ENGRAVINGS, AT THEIR SALESROOM, NO. 37 NASSAU-ST.

MALVERN ESTATE AT AUCTION,
Opposite Hyde Park.
TOWN OF ESOPUS, ULSTER COUNTY, N. Y.
647 ACRES OF WOODLAND WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION.
DEC. 27, inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., at
Malvern Hall, on the premises.
Information given by WM. WRIGHT, No. 111 Nassau-st., New-York City, or HENRY MULFORD, Village of Hyde Park.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OF THIS WEEK, EXTENSIVE SALE OF FANCY GOODS, VASES, BRONZE CLOCKS, BRONZE AND ORMOLU WARE, WORK-BOXES, CHINESE LAQUERED WARE, TOILET SETS, CHILDREN'S TEA AND COFFEE SETS, SKATES, TOGETHER WITH A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS.

ALSO,
AN ELEGANT ASSORTMENT OF ALABASTER AND MARBLE GOODS, FIGURES, GROUPS, VASES, CARD RECEIVERS, TAZZAS, &c.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

H. H. LEEDS & MINER WILL SELL by auction on FRIDAY, Dec. 22, at their gallery, No. 93 Liberty-st., a few doors west of Broadway, A PRIVATE COLLECTION OF MODERN OIL PAINTINGS AND WATER COLORS, comprising the works of

Claude Lorrain,
H. Vernet,
Geo. Harvey,
Chambeaux,
Holt,
Terburgh,
W. C. Kneel,
Van Severdonck,
C. Kringhoff,
F. Day,
P. H. Andrews,
Curon,
Cortez,
Visconti,
Leban,
Soneri,
A. Collins,
Marcel,

on exhibition on and after TUESDAY, Dec. 19, with catalogues.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st.

MINER & SOMERVILLE WILL SELL at auction on FRIDAY, Dec. 22, at 10½ o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., a splendid collection of standard works, elegantly bound in morocco and calf, and admirably adapted for holiday presents, comprising nearly every work of note of either English or American publication.

ALSO,
An extensive assortment of fancy goods, toilet sets, vases, clocks, cake-baskets, toys, games, &c., &c.

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HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S COACH FOR sale or to let on New-Year's day to a party furnishing their own horses; it is in elegant condition, with hammercloth and a stand for footman; built by Brewster & Co. for $2,500.
C. WITTY, No. 450 Broadway.

CARRIAGES FOR SALE.—THE IMMENSE stock now in the three large warerooms, entrance No. 450 Broadway and No. 16 Crosby-st., will be sold at greatly reduced prices; 300 sets harness, several second-hand carriages.
C. WITTY, No. 450 Broadway.

SLEIGH BELLS, SLEIGHS AND CARRIAGES FOR SALE.—2,000 straps, all styles; fancy sleigh bells, 150 sleighs, 300 carriages; largest assortment ever offered in New-York. C. WITTY, No. 450 Broadway.

A FEW CLARENCES AND COUPES of our own make, will be sold $200 less than former prices till Jan. 1. Also, 300 new and second-hand carriages and harness at reduced prices. JOHN C. HAM, No. 10 East 4th-st., corner Broadway.

FOR SALE—A CARRIAGE AND HORSES; the horses are black and the coupé is new and one of Brewster's best; a beautiful and stylish establishment for a lady. Apply at No. 485 5th-av.

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All kinds of Daily Journals, Expense Books, first-class Blank Books, Writing Paper and Stationery, Games, Albums, Chess, Cards, Note Paper, Inkstands, Portfolios, Desks, &c., &c., at moderate prices by
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SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young girl as cook; is a good bread, biscuit and pastry baker; has no objection to assist in washing and ironing; has a very obliging disposition; has ten years' city reference. Can be seen for two days at her present employer's, No. 199 West 14th-st.

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WANTED—A SITUATION AS WASHER AND ironer in a public place, or to go out by the day to work. Apply at No. 211 Mott-st.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN OR groom by a single, steady, faithful man; he is an experienced groom and careful driver; also understands gardening and milking and the work on a gentleman's place; is willing to make himself useful; fifteen years of the best city reference furnished. Address, for two days, M. D., Box No. 210 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION IN A MERCANTILE or banking house by a young man 19 years of age, who has had one year's experience; is a first-class accountant, but would prefer active employment; resides with his parents; unquestionable reference given. Address W., Box No. 871 Post-office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG GERman, recently returned from the army, as clerk in a lawyer's office or store; speaks and writes English, French and German fluently, and has good references. Address J. H. F., No. 110 Grand-st., Williamsburgh.

WANTED—BY A HIGHLY RESPECTABLE young man, in city or country, a situation as coachman or groom; is willing and obliging; can milk; the country preferred: has first-class reference. Address C. C., Box No. 214 Times Office.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE MARRIED man, with a small family, a situation as coachman and gardener; has had a long experience in the business; the best of city reference given from his last employer. Address E. W., Box No. 212 Times Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS GARDENER AND driver; can lay out places; thoroughly understands his business; has reference from his last employers. Address M. D., Box No. 207 Times Office.

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WANTED—A COLORED COACHMAN OR waiter—strong, civil and honest—wants employment in or near the city. Address his present employer, Box No. 208, Yonkers, New-York.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG MAN in a wholesale tea or grocery house, or to write in some office; satisfactory references given. Address W. H. C., No. 408 Mulberry-st., Newark, N. J.

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A YOUNG RETURNED ARMY OFFICER, crippled in the service, desires a situation in any capacity; is a rapid penman, correct calculator, and understands book-keeping. Salary required moderate. Address CRIPPLE, Box No. 160 Times Office.

TO NEWSPAPER PROPRIETORS.—The undersigned wants a position on a daily or weekly paper as sub-editor or reporter, a short distance from the city. Address D. R. LEE, Box No. 118 Times Office, New-York.

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Discharged soldiers who enlisted previous to July, 1863, are requested to call at our office and sign a petition to Congress, asking for the passage of a law granting them bounties, &c., equal to those who enlisted subsequently. This class embraces all those who have been discharged for sickness, wounds, promotion, or expiration of term of service.
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FLOUR SALESMAN WANTED—ONE WHO is acquainted with the wholesale flour trade in this city and elsewhere, and to solicit consignments. Address, with references, Box 4,637 New-York Post-office.

FIRST-CLASS CANVASSERS WANTED for the city, with whom liberal arrangements will be made. Apply to the *Index*, No. 114 Fulton-st., from 3 to 4 P. M. only.

WANTED—A YOUNG WOMAN TO DO GENeral housework for a small private family at Morrisania. A competent and obliging person will receive good wages. Apply to JAMES DICKSON, Printer, No. 3 Tryon-row.

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WANTED—A SMART INTELLIGENT MAN TO work in a match factory, three miles out of the city; must be of steady habits; situation permanent. Apply to J. R. D., Box No. 3,139 New-York Post-office.

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WANTED—A PROTESTANT WOMAN, WELL recommended, at Orange, N. J., to cook, wash and iron. Apply at No. 370 Broadway, before 12 o'clock.

WANTED—IN A DRESS GOODS AND WOOLEN jobbing house, men to introduce and sell cash trade. Apply to SWEETSER & CO., No. 77 Franklin-st.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, by the Croton Aqueduct Board of said city, relative to the acquiring of lands for a reservoir and appurtenances thereto in said city, between One Hundred and Seventy-second and One Hundred and Seventy-fifth streets, and the Tenth-avenue and the Harlem River, in the said city, for the purpose of supplying such parts of said city with Croton water as are not now supplied with the same:

To whom it may concern: The undersigned, Commissioners of Appraisal in the above entitled matter, having completed their report in said matter, notice is hereby given that a copy of said report, which will be presented for confirmation to the General Term of the Supreme Court, at the City Hall in the City of New-York, on the 22d day of December, inst., at the opening of the court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, and in the Clerk's office of the City of New-York, for the inspection of whomsoever it may concern; and any person or persons whose rights may be affected by said report, who shall object to the same, or any part thereof, may within ten days from the date hereof, being the first publication of this notice, state his or their objections to the same, in writing to the undersigned at their office, number 82 Nassau-street, (Room number 20,) in the City of New-York.—DATED NEW-YORK, Dec. 7, 1865.
ELIJAH F. PURDY,
JOHN T. HOFFMAN,
HENRY L. HOGUET,
Commissioners.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

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$20,000.—TWO YOUNG MEN HAVING the above amount, wish to put it into some respectable business. Ship Chandlery preferred. Address, with name and references, A., Box No. 2,131 New-York Post-office. No agents.

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FULTON	JAMES A. WOTTON	Feb. 17, 1866.
ARAGO	HENRY A. GADSDEN	March 17, 1866.
FULTON	JAMES A. WOTTON	April 14, 1866.

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CANADA leaves Boston Wednesday, Jan. 17.
SCOTIA leaves New-York Wednesday, Jan. 24.
ASIA leaves Boston Wednesday, Jan. 31.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage..........$132 50
Second Cabin Passage..........80 00
FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage..........$112 50
Second Cabin Passage..........65 00

Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.

Berths not secured until paid for.

An experienced surgeon on board.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for Specie or Valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.

For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

(Limited.)
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
Calling at Queenstown to land passengers.

Ships.	Tons.	Commanders.
QUEEN	3,412	Grogan.
ENGLAND—building	3,450	
SCOTLAND	3,695	Hall.
ERIN	3,310	Grace.
HELVETIA	3,315	Prowse.
PENNSYLVANIA	2,872	McNevin.
VIRGINIA	2,876	Lewis.
LOUISIANA	2,166	Cutting.

Leaving Pier No. 47, North River, as follows:

QUEEN	SATURDAY, Dec. 16
HELVETIA	SATURDAY, Dec. 23
VIRGINIA	SATURDAY, Dec. 30
SCOTLAND	SATURDAY, Jan. 6

AND EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER.

The size of these steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening directly into the saloon; the accommodations and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line.

An experienced Surgeon on each ship free of charge.

Cabin passage, $90; Steerage, $30—payable in currency.

The owners of these vessels will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having their value expressed therein, are signed therefor.

For freight or cabin passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 57 Broadway.
C. H. EDWARDS, Manager.

For steerage passage at THOMPSON'S Passage Office, No. 275 Pearl-st., and at the Company's Office, No. 57 Broadway.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL—CALLING AT Queenstown. The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails.

CITY OF CORK	WEDNESDAY	Dec. 20
CITY OF BOSTON	SATURDAY	Dec. 23
CITY OF LIMERICK	WEDNESDAY	Dec. 27
ETNA	SATURDAY	Dec. 30

and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

First Cabin	$90	Steerage	$30
First Cabin to London	95	Steerage to London	33
First Cabin to Paris	105	Steerage to Paris	40

PAYABLE IN GOLD.

Passage by the Wednesday steamers: First Cabin, $90; Steerage, $35. Payable in U. S. currency.

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.

Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30 gold, or the equivalent. Tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

ONLY LINE OF BRITISH STEAMERS carrying passengers direct to Great Britain.
ANCHOR LINE.
Steam to Liverpool, Glasgow and the Irish ports.
BRITANNIA..........SATURDAY, Dec. 30.
CALEDONIA..........SATURDAY, Jan. 13.
Cabins, $90, $80, $70. Steerage, $30, in currency.
FRANCIS MACDONALD & CO.,
No. 6 Bowling-green.

Passengers will please come direct to the office, as this company do not employ runners.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND by TAPSCOTT'S favorite lines of LONDON and LIVERPOOL PACKETS, sailing every week. Parties wishing to send for their friends or remit money to the Old Country can do so on the most favorable terms by applying to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 86 South-st.

STEAM TO LONDON.—THE SPLENDID BRITISH iron steamship BELLONA, 2,500 tons, Capt. E. DIXON, will sail as above, from Pier No. 3 North River, on THURSDAY, Dec. 28. For passage at the lowest rates, apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway. For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

UNITED STATES MAIL LINE FOR RIO DE JANEIRO, calling at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, and Bahia every trip.
THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
will dispatch regularly on the 29th of each month, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 43 North River, one of their new first-class steamships.
THE HAVANA,
M. R. GREENE, Commander,
will leave
ON FRIDAY, THE 29TH DECEMBER.
An experienced Surgeon is attached to each steamship.
All letters must pass through the Post-office.
Large lots of heavy freight, at low rates.
For freight or passage apply to
THOMAS ASENCIO & CO.,
No. 17 Broadway.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.

The United States mail side-wheel steamship
COLUMBIA,
D. B. BARTON, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock, P. M., precisely, for Havana direct.
For freight or passage apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.

N. B. The favorite steamship MORRO CASTLE will succeed the COLUMBIA, and leave on Dec. 27.

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

FROM PIER NO. 2, NORTH RIVER.
EMPIRE SIDEWHEEL LINE.

The splendid sidewheel steamship SAN JACINTO, WINSLOW LOVELAND, Commander, of the Atlantic Mail Steamship Company's Line, will sail for Savannah, direct, from Pier No. 2, North River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 o'clock precisely.

Freights to all parts of Georgia, Florida and Northern Alabama, forwarded by our agent at Savannah, free of commission.

Rates furnished by the undersigned.

The steamer SAN SALVADOR follows Dec. 30.

The passenger accommodations on these steamers are unsurpassed. Apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
Agent at Savannah, No. 2 Bowling-green.
B. H. HARDEE.

FOR SAVANNAH DIRECT.

STAR LINE.
Connecting with Railroads throughout Georgia and Florida.
The first-class U. S. Mail Steamships
AMERICA, LINDT, Commander,
NEVADA, CARPENTER, Commander,
CONSTITUTION, GREENMAN, Commander.
WEYBOSSET, PARRISH, Commander.
The
AMERICA
Will sail from Pier No. 13, N. R., foot of Cedar-st., on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 3 P. M.
For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to WAKEMAN, GOOKIN & DICKINSON,
No. 17 Broadway.
Agents in Savannah, BRIGHAM, BALDWIN & CO.
Freight received on our covered pier, No. 13 N. R., at all times during the day.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.

MURRAY'S WEEKLY LINE.
Connecting with railroads throughout Georgia and Florida.
The first-class steamships
VIRGO, BULKLEY, Commander.
LEO, MERRILL, Commander.
ZODIAC, DEARBORN, Commander.
The elegant new screw steamship VIRGO, will sail from Pier No. 16 East River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
MURRAY & NEPHEW, No. 62 South-st.
OCTAVIUS COHEN, Agent in Savannah.

FOR SAVANNAH.

PIONEER LINE.
Cabin Passage..........$25 | Deck Passage..........$10
The new and first-class steamship CHASE, Capt. W. D. ROATH, will leave Pier No. 4, North River, on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or first-class passage, apply to
LEWIS L. JONES, No. 17 Broadway.
For deck passage apply on board.
Agents in Savannah, HUNTER & GAMMELL.

COMMERCIAL LINE OF U. S. M. STEAMSHIPS FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.

FAIRBANKS, Capt. WM. POWELL.
WM. P. CLYDE, Capt. JAS. S. ROBBINS.
WASHINGTON, Capt. O. CHICHESTER.
The A 1 steamship WM. P. CLYDE is now receiving freight, and will sail on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27, at 4 P. M. Superior accommodations for passengers. For freight or passage apply to CHAS. H. PIERSON, No. 77 South-st., or JAMES HAND, No. 117 Wall-st.

FOR WILMINGTON, N. C.

The first class and reliable steamship
COMMANDER, TERRY, Master,
Is now receiving cargo and will be dispatched on SATURDAY, 23d Dec., at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 14, E. R. For freight or passage apply to
ARTHUR LEARY,
No. 73 William-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT OFFICE, No. 41 CHAMBERS-ST.—Passports from the Department of State, indispensable to travelers, issued by A. C. WILLMARTH, Room No. 28.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO CALIFORNIA,

TOUCHING AT MEXICAN PORTS, AND CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL, leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon, on the 1st, 11th and 21st of every month, (except when those dates fall on Sunday, and then on the preceding Saturday,) for ASPINWALL, connecting, via Panama Railroad, with one of the company's steamships from Panama for SAN FRANCISCO, touching at ACAPULCO.

DECEMBER.
1st. HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. GRAY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt. FARNSWORTH.
11th. ATLANTIC, Capt. MAURY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. BRADBURY.
21st. NEW-YORK, Capt. HORNER, connecting with COLORADO, Capt. WATKINS.

Departures of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for SOUTH PACIFIC PORTS. Those of 1st touch at MANZANILLO.

THROUGH PASSAGE RATES, IN CURRENCY.

First Cabin.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
$350	$250	$125

A discount of ONE-FOURTH from steamers' rates allowed to second cabin and steerage passengers with families.

One hundred pounds baggage allowed each adult. Baggage-masters accompany baggage through, and attend to ladies and children without male protectors. Baggage received on the dock, the day before sailing, from steamboats, railroads and passengers, who prefer to send down early.

An experienced surgeon on board. Medicines and attendance free.

A steamer will be placed on the line Jan. 1, 1866, to run from NEW-ORLEANS to ASPINWALL, via HAVANA.

For passage tickets or further information apply at the company's ticket office, on the wharf foot of Canal-st., North River.
F. W. G. BELLOWS, Agent.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

RATES GREATLY REDUCED.
Net prices, through to San Francisco, per steamer NEW-YORK, sailing Dec. 21:

First Cabin.	Second Cabin	Steerage.
$300.	$150.	$75.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—THE SAILING OF THE steamer SANTIAGO DE CUBA for California via Nicaragua is postponed to THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 1 P. M., to avoid a detention on the Isthmus, that would occur in consequence of a delay of one day in the sailing of the connecting steamer from San Francisco.
D. N. CARRINGTON, Agent.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1865.

OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO & CO., NEW-YORK AND CALIFORNIA EXPRESS AND EXCHANGE COMPANY, NO. 84 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.—SHIPPERS OF FREIGHT TO THE PACIFIC COAST will please take notice that having been appointed Freight Agents Pacific Mail Steamship Company, we are now prepared to receive freights for California, Oregon, Nevada, Washington Territory, Sandwich Islands, Central America and west coast of South America.

For rates apply at our office, No. 84 Broadway, or freight office on dock foot of Canal-st.

Steamers will sail 1st, 11th, and 21st of each month; those dates falling on Sunday, on preceding Saturday.

No slow freight received on day of sailing. Freight MUST BE DELIVERED ON DOCK FOOT OF CANAL-ST. Bills of lading will be issued at No. 84 Broadway. Our usual package express will be sent by each steamer, and will close at 10 A. M. on sailing day. Our letter bags will close at 11½ A. M. For convenience of our up-town customers, letter bags will be kept at the Metropolitan Hotel and on the dock, foot of Canal-st.

Our FRANKED ENVELOPES will be on sale at the office of the hotel, and at our office, No. 84 Broadway, and Canal-st. dock.

All letters sent through us must be in Government envelopes.

Sight Exchange on San Francisco for sale.

Telegraphic transfers of money made to all points reached by the wires on West Coast.

California coupons bought at best rates.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Consignees of freight per Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamers will receive orders for delivery at the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., No. 84 Broadway, upon surrender of their bills of lading.

Goods remaining on the wharf twenty-four hours after discharge will be stored at expense and risk of consignees.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
Sole Agents P. M. S. S. Co.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA PANAMA.—THE Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamer NEW-YORK will sail on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 12 o'clock, noon. Freight received as usual until day before sailing. Steamer HENRY CHAUNCEY will follow, Dec. 30.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
Sole Freight Agents, Pacific Mail Steamship Co.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

The fine Steamship
CONTINENTAL
will sail from this port
DECEMBER 23,
FOR SEATTLE, W. T.,

Touching at various South American ports, and at San Francisco.

This being the most favorable time for making the voyage, it offers a rare opportunity for those wishing to pass through the Straits.

RATE OF FARE, (CABIN,) $200.
(USUAL DISCOUNTS FOR CHILDREN.)

Families wishing to go to California or Oregon, or points further north, will do well to secure tickets for passage in the CONTINENTAL. This will be a delightful voyage; and, as none but those of good character will be taken, the circumstances attending the trip will be pleasant.

I will guarantee to twenty men who will take their families into Washington Territory, immediate employment, and provide a house for residence.

Families can have time on a part of the passage money, if they wish.

For passage, apply to A. S. MERCER,
Emigrant Agent for Washington Territory,
No. 91 West-st., up stairs.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

The COASTWISE COMPANY will dispatch on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at noon, a first-class side-wheel steamer, at
$40 FOR FIRST CABIN PASSAGE,
$25 FOR SECOND CABIN PASSAGE,
with accommodations of a superior kind.
For passage only, apply at No. 177 West-st., corner Warren-st. D. N. CARRINGTON.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS, DIRECT.

The steamship STAR OF THE UNION, Capt. A. BLANCHARD, will leave Pier No. 9, N. R., SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 P. M.
Passage, with unsurpassed accommodations, $60.
For freight or passage apply to
H. B. CROMWELL & Co.,
No. 86 West-st.

NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS.—The New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamship CHAMPION will leave on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 P. M., from the Company's Pier, No. 46 North River.
For freight or passage apply to
JAMES A. RAYNOR, No. 10 Barclay-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS, VIA HAVANA.

The elegant steamship
CREOLE,
N. ANDERSON, Commander,
will sail from Pier No. 21 North River, foot of Fulton-st., for the above ports, on THURSDAY, Dec. 28, at 3 o'clock P. M.
All bills of lading signed at the wharf.
For freight or passage, with superior accommodations, apply to G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS—DIRECT.

The first-class fast sailing steamship R. R. CUYLER, Capt. S. H. DOLLARD, will sail from Pier No. 13, North River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 30, at 3 P. M.
For freight or passage, having elegant accommodations, apply to R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 54 Wall-st.
GEO. A. FOSDICK, Agent at New-Orleans.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.

PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
EMILY B. SOUDER..........Capt. H. LOCKWOOD
MONEKA..........Capt. WM. MARSHMAN
The above splendid steamships will leave every THURSDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 36 North River, invariably landing cargo at Charleston on Monday morning.
The new and elegant steamship
MONEKA,
sails on THURSDAY, Dec. 21, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, with unsurpassed accommodation,
Apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 141 Broadway.
Consignees at Charleston, ARCHIBALD, GETTY & CO. All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.

REGULAR UNITED STATES MAIL LINE OF FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIPS.
GRANADA,
ALHAMBRA,
ANDALUSIA,
SARAGOSSA,
and the QUAKER CITY,
WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS,
will be dispatched promptly at 3 o'clock, from Pier No. 14 East River. Bills of lading signed on board.
For freight or passage apply to
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.
The elegant, new and very fast steamship
ANDALUSIA, BURSLEY, Master,
is now receiving cargo, and will be dispatched on SATURDAY, 23d December.

NEW-YORK AND VIRGINIA STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE OLD LINE.
From Pier No. 21, North River, foot of Fulton-st., for Norfolk, City Point and Richmond.
STEAMERS GO TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
The new and elegant sidewheel steamships,
NIAGARA,
GEORGE W. COUCH, Commander,
Leaves New-York every SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA,
ADOLPH L. KING, Commander,
Leaves New-York every WEDNESDAY, at 3 P. M.
Bills of lading signed at the wharf
Passenger accommodations unsurpassed.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway.
Goods to and from all parts of Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, &c., forwarded by the company's agents free of commission.

FOR RICHMOND, CITY POINT AND NORFOLK.

GOES TO THE WHARF AT RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships
HATTERAS, Capt. LEWIS PARRISH, every SATURDAY, at 12 M.,
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.,
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.
Freight for Newbern, N. C., and all points on Roanoke River, as far as Halifax, forwarded by our agent at Norfolk, free of charge.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations. Apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 141 Broadway.
Freight received on our covered pier, No. 36 North River, at all times during business hours.
Goods consigned to our address promptly forwarded.
All bills of lading signed on board the ship.

FOR MOBILE.

The New-York and Mobile Steamship Company's new and elegant steamship
IDAHO,
Capt. BUNKER,
will receive freight on Monday next, at Pier No. 6, East River, and sail for Mobile on SATURDAY, Dec. 23.
For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to
STARBUCK & WHEELER, Agents,
No. 13 Broadway.
The IDAHO goes direct to the city, and insures at the lowest rates. STARBUCK & WHEELER.

FOR MOBILE DIRECT.

REGULAR LINE.
The first-class steamships
GULF CITY, Capt. JAMES STEWART.
GULF STREAM, Capt. ROBERT MOUNT.
VICKSBURGH, Capt. WILLIAM F. MCCRERY.
MERCEDITA, Capt. E. C. WILLIAMS.
For freight or passage, with superior accommodations, apply to SMITH & DUNNING,
No. 66 South-st.
Extra freight will be charged on all goods for which bills of lading are not taken out before the steamer sails

SHIPPING.

FOR GALVESTON, TEXAS.

The new, elegant, very fast and A 1 steamship
SARAGOSSA,
BURSLEY, Master,
is now receiving cargo at Pier No. 50 North River, and will be dispatched as above on SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 P. M.
This vessel has superior accommodations for passengers, and goods by her can be insured at lowest rates.
For freight, at lowest rates, or passage apply to
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

PORTLAND STEAMSHIPS—CHANGE OF PIER.—The business of the New-England Steamship Company's Portland line of steamers, will be removed on Jan. 1, 1866, from Pier No. 9, North River, to Pier No. 38, East River, foot of Market-st. This new wharf is covered with a substantial water-proof building, affording thorough protection to inward and outward cargoes. H. B. CROMWELL & CO, No. 86 West-st.

RAILROADS.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD.

FALL ARRANGEMENTS, 1865.
COMMENCING MONDAY, SEPT. 18.
PASSENGER LINES FOR CAMDEN, MANCHESTER AND LONG BRANCH.

The steamer JESSE HOYT, Capt. SEELY, will leave Pier No. 3 North River, daily, (Sundays excepted,) as follows:

AT 11:45 A. M., EXPRESS LINE FOR CAMDEN DIRECT,
taking passengers for Port Monmouth, Red Bank, Long Branch, Shark River, Farmingdale, Squan, Bricksburg, Manchester, Toms River, Woodmansie, Shamong, Barnegat, Tuckerton, Otsion, Jackson, and all stations on Camden and Atlantic Railroad.
Through to Camden in five hours. Fare $2.
Excursion ticket, good for three days, $3.
At 4:15 P. M., Way Passenger Line for Manchester, Toms River, Long Branch and intermediate stations.
THROUGH FREIGHT LINE CAMDEN AND NEW-YORK.
Leave New-York at 4:15 P. M., arriving at Camden 1:30 P. M. next day.
Leave Camden at 2:30 P. M., arriving at New-York 4 A. M. next day.
Freight taken at low rates. Apply to S. C. HASTY, Local Freight Agent, Red Bank, N. J.
W. S. SNEDEN, Supt.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.

On and after MONDAY, Nov. 6, 1865, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
7:30 A. M. via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., connecting with trains for North and West.
10 A. M. via Hudson River Railroad, connecting with Northern and Western trains.
11 A. M. via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting with trains for North and West.
3:30 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Troy with train for Montreal, with sleeping-cars attached.
4 P. M. via Harlem Railroad, connecting with Western trains. Sleeping-cars attached at Albany.
6 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad; sleeping-cars from New-York to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change. This train runs on Sundays.
11 P. M. via Hudson River Railroad; with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany and Troy with morning trains for North and West.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

PERTH AMBOY & WOODBRIDGE R. R.

From foot of Cortlandt-st., New-York 7 and 10.
Leave New-York for Perth Amboy and Woodbridge—7 and 10 A. M., 2, 4:10 and 5:40 P. M.
Leave Amboy—7:10, 8:45 A. M., 12 M., 3:55, 6:05 P. M.
Leave Woodbridge—7:25, 8:55 A. M., 12:15, 4:10, 6:20 P. M.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., via Pavonia Ferry:
7:00 A. M.—Day Express, for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca and West. Connects at Buffalo with Lake Shore and Grand Trunk Railways, and at Salamanca, with Atlantic and Great Western Railway.
8:30 A. M.—Milk and Way Train, daily, for Otisville.
10:00 A. M.—Express Mail, for Buffalo, Salamanca, and Dunkirk, connecting with Lake Shore and Atlantic and Great Western Railways.
4:00 P. M.—Way Train, for Port Jervis and Newburgh.
5:00 P. M.—Night Express for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.
6:00 P. M.—Lightning Express, Daily, for Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and West; connects at Buffalo with Lake Shore and Grand Trunk Railways, and at Salamanca, with Atlantic and Great Western Railway.
8:00 P. M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and West.
HUGH RIDDLE, General Superintendent.
WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent, N. York.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 9:15 A. M., 12:25, 4:25, and 6:02 P. M. The 9:15 and 4:25 run through to Monsey. On Monday only for Piermont at 5:15 A. M. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

STEAMBOATS.

THE GREAT INSIDE ROUTE FOR BOSTON.

AVOIDING POINT JUDITH.
STONINGTON LINE OF STEAMERS,
being the safest and quickest between Boston and New-York. The staunch and splendid steamer
COMMONWEALTH, Capt. J. W. WILLIAMS,
On TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS;
PLYMOUTH ROCK, Capt. J. C. GEER,
On MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 4 o'clock P. M. from Pier No. 18 North River.
These boats are unsurpassed for comfort, strength and safety. State-rooms secured at the office, Pier No. 18, on board the boat, No. 76 Washington-st., Boston, and at the Providence Depot.
Return trains leave Boston at 5½ P. M.
M. R. SIMONS, Agent.

FOR PROVIDENCE DIRECT.

The new and staunch side-wheel steamer CITY OF PROVIDENCE, 900 tons burden, GEO. B HALL, Commander, will leave Pier No. 33, North River, foot of Jay-street, every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 4 P. M. For freight or passage apply on board, or to E. PHILLIPS, No. 148 Pearl-st. Fare $2.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND SPRINGFIELD—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., (Sundays excepted.)

STEAMERS FOR SALE.

The side-wheel steamer CORNUBIA, length 190 feet by 24 feet, and 14 feet deep; iron propeller steamer PRESTON, length 170 feet by 23 feet, and 13½ feet hold; screw gunboats WINONA, and PANOLA, length 168 feet by 28 feet 10 inches, and 11 feet 8 inches. Apply to C. W. COPELAND, No. 171 Broadway.

STEAMER, WITH A SALOON, FOR SALE CHEAP.—A side-wheel steamer, three years old, in good order; 58½ feet long, 10 feet beam, 3 feet hold; draft of water, 20 inches; cylinder, 10 by 24 inches. Apply to JAMES SNODGRASS, on Pier No. 48 North River, or to J. T. MARTIN, No. 68 South-st.

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REYNOLDS TURBINE
WATER WHEELS

These celebrated water-saving and powerful wheels, of every capacity, promptly furnished for milling, manufacturing, mining, boring, pumping, &c., &c. A large assortment in stock. Wheels and machinery constructed for mule carriage into the mountains. Streams gauged and plans made. TALLCOT & UNDERHILL, Hydraulic Engineers, No. 170 Broadway, New-York.

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Excelsior Iron Works,
No. 201 Centre-st., New-York.
N. B.—Patent Rights for sale.

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Dealers and others can now examine a cargo (70,000 feet, of dry walnut lumber, mostly one inch thick, just landed on the wharf, foot of 30th-st., North River, and for sale in bulk, or by the thousand feet.
H. A. CRANE, Lumber Dealer, foot of 30th-st., N. R

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LLOYD'S MAPS;

and, having thus at hand a chart of the city and a copy of the morning's TIMES, he is completely equipped for a tour in quest of holiday goods for his customers at home, with perhaps lots of trinkets to present to his nephews and nieces in the city. Let us accompany the successful tradesman, and see what he finds; and as the day may be one of Winter's frostiest, it may be well first to bundle up in a comfortable suit of

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At Mr. R. H. MACY's, Nos. 204 and 206 Sixth-avenue, are kid gloves at 90 cents a pair, all warranted real French kid.

Mr. ADOLF KUSTER, of No. 225 Eighth-avenue, offers French merinos, Empress cloths, reps, paramattas, &c., at a reduction of 25 per cent. from November prices, with delaines at 31 cents, that have been sold for 37½ cents, and calicoes at 23 and 25 cents, that are considered very cheap.

Returning again to Broadway, we call upon Messrs. W. S. THOMSON, LANGDON & Co., at No. 391, and there find a triumph in the skirt line, which the firm style the "Boulevard" skirt. The peculiarity of this beautiful garment consists in its having a French yoke (gore shaped) attached to the waistband, both of which are of fine English satteen. The effect of the yoke is to lengthen the back, taper and give a more graceful slope to the dress, producing a flowing and beautiful train, and causing the overskirts and dress to fit more closely to the form just below the waist, affording ease and comfort to the wearer.

It just now occurs to our friend O'Leum that he has ordered everything in the clothing line but

UNDERGARMENTS, NECK-TIES, &C.,

and we accordingly conduct him to the establishment of a good Union man—namely, Mr. UNION ADAMS, of No. 637 Broadway. We here find shirts, collars, hosiery, gloves, fancy ties, stocks, scarfs, croquet stockings, scarlet cashmere shirts and drawers, gaiters, mufflers, dress shirts and collars, all of the latest styles and best finish.

Far up Broadway, in the Madison-square region, we find Mr. WILLIAM J. ELGER, at Nos. 880 and 882 Broadway, with a huge stock of hosiery, gloves, dress-trimmings, fancy goods, combs, brushes, perfumery, French corsets, skirts, ribbons, laces and small wares, which Mr. ELGER has imported from England. Mr. E. is one of the few retailers that import English hosiery and under-garments.

O'Leum has heard of WARD's perfect fitting shirts and WARD's handsome paper collars and cuffs for ladies and gentlemen. He therefore insists upon a visit to Mr. S. W. H. WARD, at No. 387 Broadway. The only wonder is that O'Leum, who appears to be an incorrigible traveler, and has almost wearied our reporter, does not also propose a trip to WARD's other store, at No. 323 Montgomery-street, San Francisco. WARD sells O'Leum a gross of india-rubber enameled collars and cuffs and we are off to

Mr. RICHARD GREEN's, at No. 375 Canal-street, corner of Laurens, where O'Leum, captivated by the bargains which are offered in silk scarfs and neck-ties, Winter gloves, handkerchiefs, suspenders, collars, sleeve-buttons, scarf-pins, and under-garments generally, makes a liberal purchase. But on reaching

Messrs. P. F. SMITH & FOWLER's, at No. 3 Park-row, our O'Leum, observing that the place is so near all of the cars that he can readily send packages to his little nephews and nieces in every part of the city, "goes in" and buys neck-ties, butterfly-bows, and a handsome wallet for little Tom, who lives in Eighth-avenue; a half-dozen Sea Island shirts, of soft finish, for young Sam, of Second-avenue; lots of scarf-pins, sleeve-buttons, &c., for the bright-eyed Julia, of Lexington-avenue, and adds a dozen or two to his own stock of fine linen collars. Our reporter remarks to O'Leum that No. 3 Park-row is put to far more profitable use than in the days when the mock-auctioneers ran riot, and he coincides in the remark.

We next call at Mr. GEORGE M. TRACY's, at No. 101 William-street, and find a good stock of rich fancy and black silk scarfs, kid, dogskin and beaver gloves, neckties, stocks, suspenders, hosiery, and under garments, cardigan jackets, fine shirts, three and four-ply linen collars; and at

Messrs. IRA PEREGO & SONS', No. 187 Broadway, we are shown Perego's Patent-bosom Shirt, which is said to wear longer, fit better, and prove itself far cheaper than any other. The Messrs. PEREGO have also an extensive stock of fashionable ready-made clothing, which is advertised at 25 per cent. below custom prices.

Crossing over to the Bowery, we found at No. 96, the establishment of RANKIN & Co., full of people buying from their immense stock of shirts, under-garments, hoisery, &c. Mr. TAYLOR, the active head of the house, was up to his eyes in business, and we left him to his work.

There are signs of rain in the lowering clouds, and these suggest the purchase of

UMBRELLAS

for two. We take a stage—or a stage takes us—to the warehouse of Messrs. ISAAC SMITH's SON & Co., and there we examine an almost endless variety of umbrellas and parasols, which are far the best that we have seen, and O'Leum thinks that while he is making purchases, he might as well buy a number of Messrs. SMITH's SON & Co.'s beautiful parasols for the feminine O'Leums at home. The Messrs. SMITH's SON & Co.'s umbrella and parasol-store, which was established in 1802, is at No. 405 Broadway.

Thus far in their peregrinations, O'Leum and our reporter have invested in wearing-apparel only; and now they naturally begin to think of

HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS;

and having been informed that Messrs. PATON & Co., of No. 341 Broadway—one of the oldest houses in the city—intend to relinquish their retail trade on the 1st proximo, O'Leum is tempted to go to Messrs. PATON & Co.'s for bargains in housekeeping and upholstery dry goods, linens, curtains, blankets, &c.

Messrs. G. L. & J. B. KELTY, at No. 359 Broadway, offer charming styles of Nottingham, Swiss tamboured, Swiss application, lace curtains; gilt, white and colored Holland window shades, and piano and table covers.

Messrs. B. L. SOLOMON & SONS, (late SOLOMON & HART,) No. 369 Broadway, importer of curtain materials, car and furniture coverings, and manufacturers of paper-hangings and window-shades, offer also a very fine assortment of piano and table covers at low prices.

We find Aubusson carpets in one piece, and Axminster carpets by the yard, with French moquet and Wilton tapestry and Brussels carpets, at Messrs. A. T. STEWART & Co.'s, Broadway and Tenth-street; and

At Messrs. HARRINGTON & STONE's, No. 741 Broadway, opposite Astor-place, many novelties, among which are heavy curtains, damask reps, satin delaine, satin damasks, lace curtains, application, tamboured, lace borders, muslin, Swiss and vestibule laces, piano-covers, crimson, green, maroon, blue, &c.

At Messrs. SMITH & LOUNSBERY's, No. 456 Broadway, one door below Grand-street, the stock of mosaic, velvet, tapestry, Brussels, three-ply and ingrain carpeting, English and American floor oil-cloths, druggets, mats, matting, table and piano covers, stair-rods, &c., &c., is very large and the terms quite reasonable.

Messrs. STRANG & ADRIANCE, No. 355 Broadway, offer 5,000 dresses, consisting of empress cloths, poplins, alpacas, valencias, plaid and striped, wool plaids, winceys, with a great variety of other dress goods. Printed delaines, French, English, Merrimack, Cocheco, and other fast-colored prints in dress patterns and price marked in plain figures and placed on separate counters for convenience of customers, black and fancy silks, Paris camel's hair shawls, &c.

At Mr. H. F. FARRINGTON's, No. 368 Canal-street, opposite Wooster, we found an extensive assortment of bedroom enameled furniture of warranted manufacture. Mr. FARRINGTON's is one of the oldest in the city.

At Mr. WILLIAM HERRDT's, No. 150 Wooster-street, oak, mahogany, walnut and rosewood extension tables, of the best finish and quality, are offered at reasonable prices.

Mr. F. KRUTINA, at Nos. 96 and 98 East Houston-street, is one of the few worthy citizens who transact business in that abandoned thoroughfare. His manufactory of parlor, dining-room and chamber suites, is on the East side of the Bowery, two blocks distant from the East-Houston-street pandemonium, and no person need fear molestation near Mr. KRUTINA's place of business.

Messrs. SPRINGMEYER BROTHERS (late J. H. BELTER & Co.), of No. 722 Broadway, opposite the New-York Hotel, offer patent rosewood bedsteads, bureaus, and other furniture, all solid and almost indestructible. They have suites ranging in price between $250 and $5,000.

OF JEWELS

and gold and silver wares there is no end. Under the Metropolitan Hotel, near the corner of Prince-street and Broadway, the elegant establishment of Messrs. BROWNE & SPAULDING presents a selection varied, choice and costly. In rare patterns of gold and silver ware this house peculiarly excels, and its shelves are burdened with articles useful and ornamental for the etagere or the sideboard, the table or the boudoir. The house, though young, is enterprising, having learned in an excellent school (BALL & BLACK's) the needs and desires of our people, and the way to gratify them. We know of no place where a greater variety of choice material can be found.

BALL & BLACK have likewise a goodly pile of glittering generalities, ranging from big diamonds to little spoons, through the great catalogue of golden and silver wares.

BIJOUTERIE

next claimed the attention of our rural friend O'Leum, and off he posted to Messrs. JAQUET, STERLING & Co.'s, at No. 189 Broadway, and learning that they are the agents of the widely-known house of BOSANQUET, GIRAUD & Co., of Paris, he invested in any number of chances, and expects soon to draw an assortment of rings set with diamonds, rubies, pearls, garnet and other stones, (solitaire and in clusters,) ladies' sets of jewelry, comprising pins and ear-rings of the most fashionable styles, set in precious stones of every variety, that might dazzle the eyes of a modern Sinbad.

Messrs. WILLIAM GALE & SON, of No. 487 Broadway, corner of Broome-street, have a stock of holiday and bridal presents of sterling silver, tea services, tureens, dishes, salvers, pitchers, goblets, cups, and children's sets, fruit sets, forks, spoons, rich plated wares and fine table cutlery.

At Mr. A. C. BENEDICT's old stand, established at No. 28 Bowery, in 1818, we found gold watches, of every style and price; silver watches, of all kinds and prices; gold chains, gold bracelets, thimbles, rings pins, &c.

At Messrs. MILLER & Co.'s, at No. 9 Maiden-lane, military and fancy goods, guns, pistols, ammunition, swords, belts, sashes, hats, caps, embroideries, money belts, gloves, gauntlets, writing, dressing, work, glove, toilet, jewel and cigar cases, &c., Fry's patent dram flasks, one of which latter O'Leum would purchase, notwithstanding our reporter's remonstrances.

O'Leum was exceedingly merry when he heard the stirring music from a hundred musical boxes in Messrs. M. J. PAILLARD & Co.'s, No. 21 Maiden-lane, up stairs, and he purchased several for the juvenile O'Leums.

We called upon Mr. T. B. BYNNER, at No. 189 Broadway, up stairs, and found American, Swiss and English watches of every variety, and a fine American gold cased watch of Mr. BYNNER's own manufacture. The prices were quite favorable.

Messrs. QUINCHE & KRUGLER, importers of watches, No. 8 John-street, are the sole agents in the United States for the celebrated MONTANDON FRERES and, BOREL & COURVOISIER's watches. They keep a large assortment of boys' gold and silver watches.

At Messrs. E. V. HAUGHWOUT & Co's., Nos. 488, 490 and 492 Broadway, we saw a choice collection of real bronze and composition bronze clocks, candelabras, mantel sets, statuary, coupes, inkstands, marble, ormolu, and gilt-mounted clocks and mantel sets, vases, jardinieres, jewel boxes, parian and bisque statuary, busts, vases, sterling silver and fine plated ware, French china, white and decorated dinner, tea and toilet sets, glassware, engraved, cut or plain, and chandeliers and gas fixtures.

Messrs. J. H. JOHNSON & Co., No. 150 Bowery, corner of Broome-street, sells at low prices, fine gold and silver watches, of American, English and Swiss manufacture, first water diamonds, set in the latest styles; fine jewelry of every description; long gold chains, leontines, chatalaines, vest chains, &c.

A RAMBLE EVERYWHERE.

Having strained his optics over the dazzling array of jewelry which had been displayed by the tradesmen whom he had last visited, O'Leum now wended his way up town and consulted

SEMMONS, oculist-optician, manufacturer of the improved Pantoscopic Spectacles and Eye Preservers, marine, field and opera glasses, telescopes, &c., at No. 669½ Broadway, opposite Bond-street, and having bought a pair of Brazilian pebble spectacles, he went on his way rejoicing over to

HELMBOLD's palace, under the Metropolitan Hotel, and ordered a choice lot of toilet articles and perfumery of French and American manufacture, and ascertaining that no prescription is sent forth from this palatial abode of the disciples of Esculapius until two clerks have read the labels and examined the articles that are put up, thus insuring the palace and the public against error, O'Leum ordered a hogshead of Helmbold's buchu, and started for Wall-street to replenish his purse. On the way, however, he called in at

Messrs. FRANCIS & LOUTREL's, at No. 45 Maiden-lane, to get a new memorandum book and diary, his Francis & Loutrel Diary for 1865 having been filled to the last line on the fly-leaf with the memoranda of his purchases during the day. The stock of fancy articles here embraces portfolios, writing desks, work-boxes, ink-trays, photograph albums, pocket cutlery, games, mathematical instruments, &c., all of which our friend O'Leum wanted, of course, and he thought Messrs. FRANCIS & LOUTREL's book-binding and printing quite unsurpassed. Of their diaries for 1866 he ordered a gross for his store in the country, and that his patrons might have a choice, he purchased a like number at Messrs. KIGGINS & KELLOGG's, Nos. 123 and 125 William-street.

Stepping around to No. 436 Pearl-street, we found that Messrs. MIDDLETON & JARVIS, of Cincinnati, have added to their unrivaled series of chromo-lithographic portraits an admirable likeness of Major-Gen. SHERMAN. It is very accurate and life-like. This series now consists of portraits of WEBSTER, CLAY, JACKSON, DOUGLAS, LINCOLN, GRANT and SHERMAN. They are of the style known as cabinet pictures—half life size, and are furnished for from $15 to $30, according to style of frame. W. F. BARLOW is the agent for these pictures.

O'Leum had manifestly overworked himself during the day, and our reporter, curious to learn whether he had lost any flesh, took him into Messrs. HOWE & BOUVIER's scale warehouse, at No. 194 Broadway, and tried his weight on one of Ingersoll's patent hay-scales; but scarely had he been weighed, when, one of his teeth grumbling, it became necessary to hurry him up to

Dr. VAN VLECK's, at No. 175 Sixth-avenue. The tooth was extracted without pain; but within fifteen minutes a molar set up an ache on its own responsibility, and, acting upon our reporter's advice, O'Leum dropped into

Dr. COLTON's office, at No. 19 Cooper Institute, and inhaled the Doctor's Nitrous Oxide Gas. "Delightful!" exclaimed O'Leum on waking and scrutinizing the offending molar. We bade the Doctor adieu, hoping that during the remainder of the day all would be serene; but reaching Grand-street an easterly wind swept across O'Leum's cheek again, and another tooth making itself felt, the man would listen to no counsel, but willfully dashed into

Dr. GRIFFIN's, at No. 258 Grand-street, and ordered that every tooth in his head be pulled. Later in the day O'Leum went to

Dr. LEVETT's, at No. 777 Broadway, and employed the Doctor to fit him out with a set of artificial teeth with a gold web and rubber base. He was now quite comfortable, and on his way down town dropped into

AUGUST BRENTANO's bookstore, at No. 708 Broadway, and selected from the rich and varied assortment there several English magazines and a number of the latest popular novels. He imagined that Mr. BRENTANO eyed his fractional currency rather closely, but forgave that gentleman on learning that his vision was imperfect. O'Leum naturally took the liberty of advising our friend BRENTANO to hasten to SEMMONS', and purchase Brazilian pebble spectacles.

At POLLAK & SON's, No. 692 Broadway, a number of genuine meerschaum pipes in the window drew O'Leum into the store, and he was much gratified in learning that the Messrs. P. tolerated no base imitations in their place.

WHERE O'LEUM NEXT WENT

would require a volume of description. At

Messrs. HEGEMAN & Co.'s, in Broadway, he found camphor ice, with glycerine, for his chapped hands;

At Mr. [illegible] art emporium, No. [illegible] Broadway, paintings, drawings, statuettes, photograph albums, &c., for the children, and for children of larger growth;

At FOUNTAIN's India Store, No. 858 Broadway, Chinese, Indian and French fans, embroidered work, mull dresses, &c.;

At Dr. SARAH A. CHEVALIER's, No. 1,123 Broadway, a preparation for promoting the growth of the hair, and for restoring it to its original color.

At BAXTER's Gallery, No. 812 Broadway, near Twelfth-street, admirable ferrotypes;

PHALON's inimitable night-blooming cereus, in every drug-store. This has almost entirely superseded the perfumes of foreign manufacture, and is every day becoming more of a favorite;

At Messrs. CASEWELL, MACK & Co.'s, under the Fifth-avenue Hotel, frangipanni, new-mown hay, musk, and other perfumes;

At J. C. RUSHTON's, corner of Broadway and Twenty-fifth-street, Pharaoh's serpent eggs, ten in a nest;

At JAFFE's cigar-store, No. 1,181 Broadway, any number of cigars of the best brands;

At GIMBREDE's, Nos. 588 and 872 Broadway, initial note paper and monograms;

At EVERDELL's card depot, No. 302 Broadway, beautiful cards of every kind;

At Messrs. HOTCHKISS' SONS, No. 92 Beekman-street and No. 98 Cedar-street, mineral waters, of which O'Leum ordered a cargo;

At Mr. J. MARC MARTIN's, No. 203 Pearl-street, champagne, claret, burgundy, muscat, sherry, port and Malaga wines, all pure;

At Messrs. WELLS & Co.'s, No. 115 Franklin-street, Dr. Strickland's cough balsam;

At Mr. WILLIAM A. BATCHELOR's, No. 81 Barclay-street, Batchelor's superior hair dye;

At Messrs. LOVEJOY & TAYLOR's, No. 476½ Broadway, Hartmann's patent elastic rubber crutches, a pair of which O'Leum ordered for a returned soldier;

At Messrs. DEMAS BARNES & Co.'s Park-row, Webster's vegetable hair invigorator;

At Messrs. E. & H. T. ANTHONY & Co.'s, No. 501 Broadway, stereoscopic war views;

At Mr. SAMUEL D. WILSON's, No. 75 Bowery, a curious variety of toys;

At Mr. M. P. BROWN's, No. 186 Pearl-street, beads and other fancy goods, just imported;

At Mr. PHINEAS SMITH's, No. 25 Cliff-street, Brady's patent New-York Club skates without straps;

At Messrs. MACPHERSON & DONALD SMITH's, West Eighteenth-street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, ales and porters of superior quality;

At Mr. THOMAS R. AGNEW's, Nos. 260 and 262 Greenwich-street, teas, coffees, flour and other dry groceries, in large or small quantities, wholesale or retail, and at the lowest prices;

At Mr. GEORGE W. EDWARDS, Nos. 227 and 229 Chrystie-street, sugar-cured Washington hams;

At Messrs. ENOCH MORGAN's SONS, No. 211 Washington-street, pearl-mottled, best family, genuine Castile, toilet and other soaps;

At Messrs. MILLER & Co.'s, No. 387 Canal-street, handsome hand-made boots and shoes;

At Mr. C. C. RICHMOND's, No. 150 Fulton-street, fine boots, shoes, gaiters and slippers;

At Mr. WM. M. WELLING's, No. 571 Broadway, ivory and pearl gilt letter and plain sleeve buttons, jewelry, combs, belt buckles, tooth brushes, &c., &c., latest French styles;

At Mr. WILLIAM GARDNER's, Nos. 233 and 244 Canal-street, hair, husk, moss, seagrass and straw mattresses, pillows, bolsters, &c.;

At Mr. WILLIAM MATHEWS', No. 54 Catharine-street, white and gray blankets, sheets, pillow-cases, counterpanes, &c.;

At Messrs. VALENTINE & Co.'s, No. 12 Fourth-avenue, toys of all kinds;

At Mr. M. E. TOWNSEND's, No. 953 Broadway and No. 183 Fifth-avenue, everything that can be conceived in the way of toys;

At Mr. B. H. TICKNOR's, No. 823 Broadway, the Salem parlor croquet;

At Mr. LEWIS TIBBAL's, No. 510 Broadway, spring horses, cantering horses, self-operating swings, baby-tenders, &c.;

At FAIRCHILD's Bazaar, No. 377 Sixth-avenue, toys of every kind;

At the Goodyear India Rubber Glove manufactory, No. 205 Broadway, near Fulton-street, a fine assortment of vulcanite jewelry, bracelets, brooches, ear-rings, sleeve-buttons, chains, chatelaines, charms, pencils, etc. Also, India rubber toys, balls and fancy articles of every description;

At Messrs. OVINGTON BROTHERS, Fulton-street, near Clark-street, Brooklyn, bronze groups and statuettes, French marble clocks, Parian statuary, mantel vases and sets, cut and engraved glass, &c.

Late in the day, weary and worn, but nevertheless intent upon supplying every real or imaginary want of his customers and family, O'Leum reached the

PIANO WAREROOMS.

At Messrs. LINDEMANN & SONS, No. 2 Leroy-place, Bleecker-street, he listened to GOTTSCHALK on the patent Cycloid Piano, a newly-patented instrument, which is highly commended by Messrs. Gottschalk, Charles Fradel, William Mason, George W. Morgan, Carl Anschutz, C. J. Hopkins, Theodore Eisfeld, Gustave Stoeckel, and others.

At No. 596 Broadway, the MASON & HAMLIN cabinet organs were examined. These instruments have been awarded the highest premiums, and are sold at from $110 to $600.

At Messrs. STEINWAY & SONS' marble warehouse, Nos. 71 and 73 East Fourteenth-street, their grand, square and upright piano-fortes, which have captured thirty-two first-class premiums of gold and silver, and which are recommended by Messrs. S. B. Mills, Robt. Goldbeck, Henry C. Timm, Geo. W. Morgan, Theo. Thomas, Wm. Mason, Robert Heller, Wm. Berge, E. Muzio, Carl Anschutz, A. H. Pease, F. L. Retter, Theo. Eisfeld, C. Bergmann, Max Maretzek, and others, were much admired.

At Messrs. HAINES BROTHERS', Second-avenue, corner of Twenty-first-street, were found pianos to rent.

At Messrs. T. H. CHAMBERS', Bible House, the elegant upright boudoir pianos, in rosewood cases, attracted attention.

At Messrs. BRISTOW & HARDENBROOK's, No. 147 Tenth-street, the prices were found to range between $300 and $600 for warranted pianos.

Messrs. CUMMINGS & JENNYS, of No. 726 Broadway, advertise to sell piano-fortes at from $100 to $150 lower than any other dealers.

Mr. WILLIAM B. BRADBURY, of No. 425 Broome-street, says that his pianos have been pronounced the best, and to demonstrate the fact, he produces any number of testimonials, medals, &c., &c. Beside his pianos, Mr. BRADBURY has on hand a large supply of the popular singing books, which have made his name familiar in every Sunday-school in the land.

Mr. J. N. PATTISON, of No. 429 Broome-street, sells the Weber piano-forte—an instrument that is held in high esteem.

Messrs. CHICKERING & SONS, of No. 652 Broadway, manufacture grand, square, and upright piano-fortes, which have been used by GOTTSCHALK many years. The Messrs. CHICKERING are sole agents for the celebrated Alexandre organ.

Messrs. HAZLETON BROTHERS, of No. 99 Prince-street, have fine overstrung, grand and square piano-fortes that have received first premiums wherever they have been exhibited.

Messrs. A. H. GALE & Co., manufacture their pianos at No. 107 East Twelfth-street.

The United Piano-Forte Makers, at No. 84 Walker-street, guarantee their instruments for five years.

Messrs. McDONALD & Co., of No. 20 Fourth-avenue, offer second-hand pianos at from $80 to $175.

Mr. JOHNSTON, of No. 99 Bleecker-street, offers pianos at from $70 to $200.

Mr. HENRY HOOPER, Jr., of No. 207 Eighth-avenue, and Miss A. BASS, of No. 748 Broadway, will give lessons on the piano-forte.

O'Leum next examined the various

SEWING-MACHINES

in market. The Florence, which is advertised as the only one having the reversible feed movement, interested him. It makes the lock-stitch; besides, it makes three other distinct and practical stitches; the tension is self-adjusting, relieving the operator from the usual annoyance on this point. While possessing the above, and many other advantages, the Florence is sold at corresponding prices with other first-class machines. The salesroom of the Florence Sewing-machine Company is at No. 505 Broadway.

Of the Wheeler & Wilson machine, Mr. J. T. ELLIS, of No. 939 Broadway, corner of Twenty-second-street, says: "During the year, WHEELER & WILSON's sewing machines have been furnished the poor, to be paid for in installments according to their respective ability, from the establishment, involving a large outlay, and sometimes very slow returns. In order to continue this distribution and 'make both ends meet,' the cooperation of parties selecting for cash is solicited." The Wheeler & Wilson machine is sold at No. 625 Broadway.

The Bartlett machine, with BARNUM's self-sewer, using the Howe needle and Wilson feed, is sold at No. 569 Broadway.

Messrs. WILLCOX & GIBBS, of No. 508 Broadway, advertise their silent machine as making a stitch that is strong, elastic and durable.

The Sloat Elliptic is sold by Mr. A. H. SUPLEE at No. 537 Broadway.

Messrs. GROVER & BAKER's highest premium elastic stitch sewing-machines, for family use, are sold at No. 495 Broadway.

Mr. ELIAS HOWE, Jr., is President of the Howe Sewing-Machine Company, at No. 629 Broadway.

Our reporter tired and retired long before our rural friend O'Leum had completed his purchases; but from the business that was done by HARNDEN, KINGSLEY, the Adams, the American, and other express companies, on the day following O'Leum's most wonderful tour, we infer that he must have sent home holiday goods sufficient to supply all the inhabitants of his village and the surrounding country, and we dare say that he bought at rates that will enable him to undersell his neighbors and still realize a fair margin of profit.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE CONVICTED FOR MALFEASANCE IN OFFICE.—Mr. GEORGE W. SEAMAN, a Justice of the Peace of the Town of New-Lots, was placed on trial in the Kings County Court of Sessions, on Tuesday, on an indictment for malfeasance in office. The indictment charged him with keeping a liquor-store contrary to the statutes in such cases made and provided, and which forbids a Justice of the Peace from engaging in such business. He is also charged with having re-tried parties who had previously been tried by another justice of the same town, and for the same offence—that of assault and battery—and, further, that in the first proceeding defendant appeared before Justice HEITCAMP as counsel for one of the parties. His client having been found guilty, it is alleged that he brought the parties before his own court, and convicted the man who had gained the case in the other court. A number of witnesses were examined, among them some lawyers, who testified that they had drank something different from soda water in the Justice's place while engaged in trying cases before him. The case was summed up yesterday afternoon and given to the jury, who, after several hours' deliberation, brought in a verdict of guilty. Sentence has been reserved.

FERRY IMPROVEMENTS.—The Brooklyn Ferry Company have concluded to put two additional boats on the route between South Seventh-street, Williamsburgh, and Roosevelt-street, New-York. One of these, the *Commodore Perry*, which has been in the government service for the past three years, and recently purchased by the company and fitted up in an elegant manner, went on a trial trip yesterday afternoon, and will take her regular place on the route to-day. The *Ethan Allen*, also repurchased from the government, is receiving modern improvements, and will be ready to take her place in the line in about four weeks, under the name of the *Commodore Barney*. The boats of this ferry, which were formerly kept in a filthy condition, are now better managed, and the new superintendent, E. E. CHAPPELL, has directed the employees of the company to wear badges representing their different duties. The old ferry-houses foot of Grand-street are being repainted and otherwise improved, and a ladies' sitting-room, with some pretensions to decency and comfort, has been constructed by the Houston-street Ferry Company.

THROWING A MAN INTO THE DRY DOCK.—PHILLIP DONLON was yesterday tried before the U. S. Circuit Court, on an indictment charging him with assault with attempt to kill THOMAS BAKER. Some time since both men were employed in the Navy-yard, and getting into a quarrel near the dry-dock, BAKER slapped DONLON's face. The latter went away, and subsequently returning, gave BAKER a push, and he was precipitated a distance of thirty feet down a succession of stone steps. In his descent BAKER struck another man engaged at work on the keel of a vessel then undergoing repairs, and it was owing to this circumstance that he was not killed outright. As it was, he was seriously injured. DONLON was convicted, and remanded for sentence.

THREATENING TO SHOOT.—An old gentleman, giving his name as WM. HARRISON, was arrested about 9 o'clock last night, by Officer CODNER, of the Forty-fifth Precinct, for drawing a Smith & Wesson revolver on Mr. CHAS. MILLER, of No. 61 Ryerson-street, E. D. It is alleged by Mr. MILLER that Mr. HARRISON and himself came off a South Seventh-street ferry-boat together, where they had some words in relation to alleged insults offered to females on the boat by HARRISON, and when they reached near the corner of South Seventh and First streets, MILLER remonstrated with him for his conduct on the boat, when he drew his revolver as above stated. HARRISON gave his weapon to the officer and was locked up.

THE LEE-AVENUE CHURCH LECTURES.—Rev. H. M. GALLAHER last evening delivered a fourth of the series of lectures in progress at the Lee-avenue Reformed Dutch Church. His subject was "Ireland and the Irish," and the lecture throughout abounded in brilliant anecdote and apt illustration, keeping the very large audience in a continuous roar of laughter. The music, vocal and instrumental, was of a high order. The evening's entertainment appropriately closed with the Irish ballad, "Kathleen Mavourneen," by Miss RICE. The fifth entertainment of the course will take place on the evening of Jan. 3.

DEATH FROM INTEMPERANCE.—Coroner BARRETT last evening held an inquest on the body of a man named MARTIN BRITT, 60 years of age, a native of Ireland, who was found dead in the basement of the grocery-store, corner of South First and First streets, E. D., at an early hour in the forenoon. Deceased was of very intemperate habits, and had used this basement for years as a sleeping-place. Verdict, congestion of the brain, superinduced by intemperance.

CONVICTION FOR SEDUCTION.—CLARENCE S. WYCKOFF, who was convicted in the Kings County Court of Sessions on the charge of seducing MARGARET BLAKE, under promise of marriage, was yesterday sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary. The case is to be carried to the General Term for review. The complainant was a servant in the house of WYCKOFF's father.

THE KINGS COUNTY REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE.—The Republican primary meetings for the purpose of electing five delegates from each city, ward and country town to the General Committee, was held at the different places designated last evening. Considerable interest was manifested in several of the wards, while in others there was very little or no opposition to the regular ticket.

TURPENTINE WORKS DESTROYED BY FIRE.—Shortly after 11 o'clock on Tuesday night the turpentine factory of Mr. JOHN MAHONEY, in Fifth-street, near North Twelfth, Eastern District, took fire and was consumed within half an hour. The building was a frame one, and only recently erected. The loss will probably reach $3,500. No insurance. Origin of the fire unknown.

PREPARATIONS FOR SKATING.—The proprietors of Washington, Union, Capitoline and Chichester's Skating Ponds, are making extensive arrangements for the next cold snap. The ice was tolerably good yesterday, but scarcely strong enough for skating exercises.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—The public schools of Brooklyn are to be closed for the holidays on Friday, the 22d inst., and reopened on the 3d of January, 1866.

BROOKLYN CITY COURTS.—Dec. 21.—Nos. 77, 83, 88, 74.

NEW-JERSEY.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD.—A man named JOSEPH QUINN, of Stamford, Conn., died at the Almshouse Hospital, Jersey City, about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. It appears that deceased, on the evening previous, attempted to jump on the cars at Hudson-street, but missing his hold, fell under the cars and received fatal injuries. An inquest will be held to-day.

NEW-ENGLAND SOCIETY.—The New-England Society, of Jersey City, have elected the following-named gentlemen officers of the society for the ensuing year: President, DAVID GOULD; Secretary, CHARLES H. DUMMER; Treasurer, DUDLEY S. GREGORY, Jr. The dinner on Forefathers' Day will take place at Taylor's Hotel at 6 P. M. of that day.

STOLEN PROPERTY IDENTIFIED.—A quantity of wearing apparel and jewelry, found in possession of a man named HENRY CHRISTY, in Jersey City, on Saturday, was yesterday identified at the police station by Mrs. MARGARET WATSON and Miss ALICE BLOODGOOD, residing in Hudson City, as belonging to them. CHRISTY was committed for trial.

The Taunton *Gazette* is of opinion that Gen. DUFF GREEN may reply to his obituary notice given by the New-York correspondent of the Providence *Journal*.

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In Steamship Henry Chauncey, from Aspinwall—James Nightingale, J. Forcad, wife and two children, S. R. Rosenfeld, E. Rosenfeld, L. Cohn and wife, E. P. Folger, Mrs. H. Adler, A. H. Ball, Mrs. E. Brown, P. L. [illegible], Mrs. D. P. [illegible], [illegible] and wife and [illegible], Mrs. Van Winkle, Capt. S. Doane, F. Felis and wife, H. R. Campbell, A. W. Dennis, J. Foster, R. M. Howland, Mrs. G. A. Shepparson, L. H. Hoffman, Mrs. J. M. Anderson, H. M. Gimwood, W. H. Samper, H. Whittaker, J. W. Haskell, J. Cohen, L. B. Gillman, W. S. Bowen, B. H. Ramsdell, Miss L. Frowman, M. P. Freeman, E. P. Palmer, C. Nettleton, Col. J. C. Lane, J. B. Dickinson, J. Ward, E. W. Forsaith, A. B. Elfrat, H. Van Vechten, D. W. Dothill, C. G. Page, E. R. Page, J. J. Brine, Capt. A. Milton, M. A. Rosenblatt, W. R. Sears, J. A. Shirley, John O'Dougherty, Mrs. N. B. Edgersly, Miss E. R. Winter, H. C. Thompson, wife and child, N. Wescott, L. and N. Level, M. Levy, W. Hodridge, A. Halas, D. McAlpin, W. E. Mills, C. A. Desilver, E. R. Blanchard and wife, O. W. Woodford, P. Hanney, G. B. Howes, R. Gibbons, D. R. Ashley, J. Sherpe, C. G. Stevens, P. V. Martin, A. W. Burlingame, S. A. Jessup, R. J. Sperry, S. H. Johnson, Henry Carr, J. C. Thompson, A. Aufferman, A. Patterson, W. H. Emmerson, J. O'Leary, J. W. Simonton, A. Germain, J. Pedmeon, S. Rote, A. M. Ropes, J. D. Allen, L. Baldwin, H. P. Cornell, E. Brown, S. J. Preston, E. Life, J. S. Cauldwell, W. and Thomas Pfaller, Sam'l and John Wallack, D. McNaughton, P. Steel, W. Waller, Charles Houston, E. W. Herron, J. M. Denton, R. B. Develin, J. C. French, L. P. Stafford, C. S. Rugg, J. C. Harris, Mrs. H. Piatt, J. Lanner, A. Sewell, A. P. Martin, D. Reck, Mrs. H. Bean, W. Page, L. H. Park, D. Maxwell, W. J. Ryan, A. E. Meyers, N. K. Reed, Miss E. Slater, John Douglass, J. Burrell, J. Hudson, A. Perritt, S. F. Wallace, B. Clayton, A. Colt, and wife, J. Newler, wife and two children, J. H. Hall, C. E. Rosette, J. F. Sharp, W. Lonsetor, G. H. Petrosky, P. Laesen, A. Menkie, W. Donaldson, F. Lees, R. Richardson, M. Fullerton, J. Sarard, P. Sormena, J. Wright, S. P. Harvey, R. W. Benington, J. H. Evarts, C. Buertonar, E. E. Nelson, H. Lonham, J. O. Irvin, B. Celeston, W. W. Baldwin, J. A. Winuch, C. Bonfante, W. Williams, H. R. Hicks, J. A. Wilkinson, H. M. Hoxal, J. F. Doyle, H. J. Jewett, E. F. Taylor, M. Fry, A. Field, Mrs. W. Rossiter and two children, J. Drake.

In steamship Morro Castle, from Havana—Carl Formes, Theodore Formes, Wm. Formes, H. S. Helmbold, lady and friend, Miss M. Acosta, C. Debianc and lady, Mrs. T. Feldman, Mrs. A. T. Reed and daughter, W. A. Butler, Dr. J. R. Riggs, J. S. Toppan, Capt. T. Fraser, Capt. C. D. Eddy, Capt. D. Caulkins, M. Meigs, C. Caballos, B. Sanchez, S. Hickman, Jacob Rubino, A. J. Paterson, J. Gomez, Y. Yoca, J. Pealson and lady, H. Stenberg, M. P. Pels, A. d'Anville, C. H. Chester, H. T. Atkins, J. B. Thoms, J. Meyer, M. Worth, A. Bucket, J. Cohner, M. Quinten—Total, 39.

In Steamship Mississippi from New-Orleans—Maj.-Gen. Gibbs, U. S. A., Lieut. Mallaby, A. D. C., Mr. Lacy and lady, C. L. Davenport and lady, W. E. Holt, W. C. Strivers, Henry Andrews, A. Warren Kelsey, Mrs. C. Perkins, Mr. H. De Veuve J. Nebronel, J. H. Sigel, W. H. Tyson, Wm. Boltner, wife and son, Edward Lewis, John Cole, C. A. Cook, H. E. Johnson, T. M. Smith, Chas. Belden, Henry Anderson, Samuel E. Brooks, and 38 in steerage.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.... 7 20 | Sun sets..... 4 36 | Moon sets.... 8 30

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook..10 03 | Gov. Island.10 52 | Hell Gate....12 14

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20.

Cleared.

Steamships City of Dublin, (Br.,) Eynon, Liverpool, J. G. Dale; City of Cork, (Br.,) Bridgeman, Liverpool, J. G. Dale; Albemarle, Bourne, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond, Livingston, Fox & Co.; Perit, Delanoy, Mobile, L. L. Jones; Sea Gull, Fish, Baltimore, G. B. Small; Zodiac, Dearborn, Murray & Nephew; John Gibson, Young, Washington, H. B. Cromwell & Co.; Alhambra, Benson, Charleston, A. Leary; Ariel, Jones, New-Orleans, J. A. Raynor; Fung Shuey, Gough, New-Orleans, H. B. Cromwell & Co.; Santiago de Cuba, Smith, Greytown, M. O. Roberts; Saratoga, King, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond, G. Heineken & Palmore; Fairbanks, Powell, Wilmington, C. H. Pierson.

Steamers Westchester, Ingraham, Wilmington, Del., A. Abbott; Millville, Renaur, Philadelphia, Bentley, Smith & Co.

Ships Millicet, (Br.,) Gould, Liverpool, A. Leary; Prima Donna, Harriman, San Francisco, Sutton & Co.

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Arrived.

Steamship Morro Castle, Adams, Havana Dec. 16, at 1 P. M., with mdse. and passengers to Spofford, Tileston & Co. Left in Havana, steamships Cuba and Corsica, for New-York 16th, and Cortes, for Boston same day. Steamship Evening Star arrived out at 9 A. M. on the 16th. 19th, 9 A. M., lat. 35 30, lon. 74 36, passed a ship showing numbers 2,501, 2d distg. pennant.

Steamship Etna, (Br.,) Tibbitts, Liverpool Dec. 9, via Queenstown 10th, with mdse. and 270 passengers to John G. Dale. 10th inst., 9:40 A. M., lat. 51 23, lon. 23 36, signalized steamship City of London, bound E. 11th, lat. 51, lon. 31, ship Escort, bound W. 14th, 4:50 P. M., lat. 47 55, lon. 50 08, steamship North American, bound E. 18th, 5:50 A. M., lat. 41 40, lon. 64 45, steamship City of New-York, bound E. Same day, lat. 41 35, lon. 65 04, a Bremen steamer, bound E.

Steamship Creole, Anderson, New-Orleans Dec. 9, with mdse. and passengers to G. Heineken & Palmore. Had head winds and heavy gales the entire passage.

Steamship Henry Chauncey, Gray, Aspinwall Dec. 13, with mdse., treasure, mails and passengers to F. W. G. Bellows. Dec. 16, off Cape Marie, passed steamship Atlantic, for Aspinwall. 19th, lat. 35 11, lon. 74 30, passed brig Kitty Coburn, of Rockland, Me., bound N.

Steamship Mississippi, Sumner, New-Orleans Dec. 13, with mdse. and passengers to J. A. Raynor & Co. Crossed the bar in co. with steamship Rapidan, bound to Galveston. Passed in the river, bound up, steamship Pontiac.

Steamship R. R. Cuyler, Dollard, New-Orleans Dec. 13, with mdse. and passengers to Robert Lowden. Has experienced heavy N. E. gales the entire passage.

Steamer Admiral, Eldridge, Philadelphia, with mdse. to Snow & Tobias.

Ship Kingfisher, (of Boston,) Freeman, San Francisco 89 ds., with mdse. to master. Was 47 ds. to Cape Horn; soon after passing the Cape sprung the mainmast; since have had fine weather; have been 7 ds. N. of Hatteras.

Bark Magdalena, Searle, Aspinwall 35 ds., with hides, nuts, &c., to J. F. Joy. Has had heavy northerly winds the entire passage. Dec. 1, off Cape Antonio, spoke schr. Francis Hatch, from Greytown for New-York, 36 ds. out.

Brig Urana, (of Baltimore,) Bruce, Mobile 25 ds., with cotton to Spence, Montague & Co. Been 13 ds. N. of Hatteras with strong N. N. E. winds and thick weather. Dec. 15, lat. 36 15, lon. 74 30, saw the bow of a vessel, very badly broken, also quantities of new pine boards.

Brig Alexander, (of Greenock,) Goldsworthy, Pernambuco 53 ds., with sugar to Gordon, Bruce & McAuliff. Dec. 14, in the gulf stream, saw a large quantity of wrecked stuff, consisting of heading, &c., supposed to be from molasses casks.

Brig D. R. De Wolf, (of St. John, N. B.,) Covert, Santa Cruz 28 ds., with wood and molasses to D. R. De Wolf & Co. Dec. 14, off Cape May, spoke brig George Burnham, from Philadelphia for Portsmouth, Me., 3 ds. out, with cargo shifted.

Brig Chief, (of Halifax, N. S.,) Norris, Cadiz 50 ds., with wine and cork to J. F. Whitney & Co. Has had heavy weather most of the passage. Dec. 19, off the Delaware, passed the topmast of a vessel and 2 water casks.

Brig Estelle, De Sapp, St. Thomas 18 ds., with iron to D. R. De Wolf & Co.

Brig Trio, (Norw.,) Gude, Rio Janeiro 43 ds., with coffee to Funch, Meincke & Wendt.

Brig Sarah Bernice, Stuart, Machias 21 ds., with lumber to F. Talbot & Co.

Brig Sea Bird, (Br.,) Edgett, Hillsboro, N. B., 22 ds., with coal to P. I. Nevius & Son.

Schr. Shannon, (of Nassau, N. P.,) Albury, Harbor Island 14 ds., with cocoa nuts to James Douglass. Ship Conquest was wrecked Dec. 2 at Harbor Island. Crew saved; ship and part of cargo a total loss. Left no Am. vessels in port.

Schr. Indus, (of Nassau, N. P.,) Goodsell, St. Andrew's 25 ds., with cocoanuts, &c., to J. Eneas. Has had heavy northerly winds for 23 ds. Left no Am. vessels in port.

Schr. Emma, (Br.,) McGuire, St. Stephen's, N. B., 4 ds., with laths to G. Boardman.

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Schr. M. R. Carlisle, Sheldon, Rondout, for Boston.

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Dec. 20—Arr. steamer Wm. Kennedy, from Baltimore; bark Almira Combs, from Cardenas; brig Eva, from Algoa Bay.

Also arr. brigs Hyperion, from Remedios; Chesapeake, from Newburgh.

Below—Barks Ionia, from Africa; Ab-del-Kader, from New-Orleans.

Miscellaneous.

PROVINCETOWN, Dec. 20—The schr. Otis, of Rockland, from New-York, with cement for Boston, is ashore on Wood End. She will get off after discharging.

Spoken, &c.

Tigress—ship, of Boston, from Carribean Sea for Hull, 12 ds. out, Dec. 11.

Foreign Ports.

ASPINWALL—Arr. Dec. 3, bark Xantho, Conway, for New-York; schrs. Pocahontas, Borbea and Louise Forbes, from San Blas; 7th, steamship West Indian, Weale, Liverpool; 8th, steamship Henry Chauncey, Gray, from New-York; 9th, bark Chanticleer, Benthal, Baltimore; bark American Eagle, Harford, New-York; schr. Electric Spark, Snow, Bocastel Toro; 10th, schr. Solent, Gibbs, from St. Thomas; 11th, brig Costa Rica, Jenks, New-York.

Sld. Dec. 9, bark Bolivia, Whiteberry, New-York; 13th, steamer Henry Chauncey, Gray, New-York; brig Navarino, Giles, Mobile.

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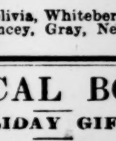

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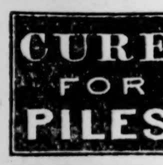

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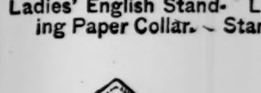

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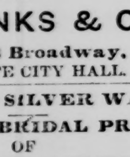
STANDARD  SCALES.

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A. P. A.—THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF New-York Lodge, No. 3, A. P. A., are respectfully requested to attend the funeral of our late Brother CHARLES CARSON, from his late residence, No. 36 West 36th-st., with funeral badges.

JOHN BELL, W. M.

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